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The Last Word.

Creep into thy narrow bed,
Creep, and let no more be said.
Vain thy onset! all stands fast!
Thou thyself must break at last.

Let the long contention cease;
Geese are swans, and swans are geese.
Let them have it how they will;
Thou art tired; best be still.

They out-talked thee, hissed thee, tore thee,
Better men fared worse before thee;
Fired their ringing shot and passed;
Hotly charged—and broke at last.

Charge once more, then, and be dumb!
Let the victors when they come,
When the forts of folly fall,
Find thy body by the wall.

—*Matthew Arnold*

The Loom of Life.

All day, all night I can hear the jar
Of the loom of life, and near and far
It thrills with its deep and rattled sound,
As the tireless wheels go always round.

Busily, ceaselessly goes the loom,
In the light of day and the midnight's gloom,
The wheels are turning early and late,
And the woof is wound in the warp of fate.

Click, clack! there's a thread of love wove in;
Click, clack! another of wrong and sin;
What a checkered thing will this life be
When we see it unrolled in eternity!

Time, with a face like mystery,
And hands as busy as hands can be,
Sits at the loom with its arm outspread,
To catch in its meshes each glancing thread.

When shall this wonderful web be done?
In a thousand years, perhaps, or one;
Or to-morrow. Who knoweth? Not you or I,
But the wheels turn on and the shuttles fly.

Ah, sad-eyed weaver, the years are slow,
But each one is nearer the end I know;
And some day the last thread shall be woven in,
God grant it be love instead of sin.

Are we spinners of wool for this life web—say?
Do we furnish the weaver a thread each day?
It were better then, oh my friend, to spin
A beautiful thread than a thread of sin.

LETTY'S PROMISES.

When Lawrence Van Everen was about to sail for the East Indies, he asked Letty to walk half an hour in the orchard with him, which was wreathed and perfumed with fruit blossoms.

"I've a request to make you, my dear Letty," he said, "and I'm half afraid you'll think it a selfish thing to ask; indeed, I know it is, but yet, with the renowned selfishness of man, I not only ask, I beg it."

"What on earth can it be?" said Letty, smiling. "Do you want to send me to a nunnery till you return, or to travel to Calcutta to marry you? Or do you want me to give the cold shoulder to Tom Longworthy, and promise never to say so much as 'How do ye do?' to him?" For the gossips had said these very things in Van Everen's ear, when he returned from his last voyage, to the effect that Longworthy had taken advantage of his absence to be sweet on Letty.

"No, Letty, it is none of these trifles," he answered; "it is something much more important to my happiness."

"You know I will do anything to please you."

"You will? Then promise me this thing—solemnly promise that if anything should happen to me, if I should never return, if I should die—promise that you will remain mine forever—that you will never, never marry another. Can you promise this, darling?"

"Certainly. But why should I be taken off? You must. Why, I should die myself if you failed. There is no need of such a promise, but I give it all the same. I promise solemnly that if you die I will never marry."

"Thanks," said Van Everen, kissing her cheek with an air of having conferred a favor. "I have exactly five minutes left in which to say good-bye. There is a great deal called love in this world which is only propinquity; but one mustn't call it nothing, and so I say to you:

'Unless you can love as the angels may,
With the breadth of heaven betwixt us,
And you think you can, Letty?'

"I know it. Perhaps you mean to commit suicide to test me."

And then followed a few minutes of tender nonsense, and Van Everen tore himself away, leaving Letty in tears. What a long, long time it was to look forward to! How many storms would beat along the coast, how many suns would shine, mornings dawn, and evenings gather to their close, before they met again? In the meantime here was her trousseau to finish; and she used to sit at it hour by hour, with her thoughts away on some distant reach of the Indian seas, except when Tom Longworthy loitered in to help kill time. Tom was really a comfort to her, in spite of Van Everen's unreasonable jealousy. He could tell her all about the Indian ports, and of cyclones, calms and tradewinds—all about the great foreign cities to which her lover was bound, with their sunburned natives, their strange customs, their fantastic dress, and curious architecture—till she felt as if she were there herself. It was some months later that Tom Longworthy came in with a cloud on his face.

"You are ill?" said Letty, regarding him.

"Not at all, thank you; only ill at ease."

"Then you have some bad news."

"Yes, I have some bad news."

"Nothing about Lawrence?" she cried.

"I hope not."

"You hope not! For heaven's sake, don't you know? What is it? Don't tease, you are sparing my feelings. You are only cruelly"—

"The Flying Scud."

"Is lost?"

"Has foundered. But there's no certainty with regard to Lawrence; he may be among the saved. Letty! Letty! don't look at me as if I had brought it about. I would exchange places with him gladly for your sake; I would indeed," he cried.

She left her needle where it lay, news found it, and folded away all the wedding garments. And month followed month of anxious foreboding; and one or two old seamen straggled home to their families, suffered and destitute after many hardships, but they knew nothing of Van Everen; he had not taken the same boat; some had been swept away by a wave before the ship was abandoned; and so by sad degrees hope and Laurence Everen were given up.

It was, perhaps, three years and better after the Flying Scud had sailed that Letty, weary of declining invitations and of being asked if she meant to sacrifice herself like a Hindoo widow, joined a party of friends going to take their tea in the sunset at the beach, two hours' steaming down the river. She had understood that there was to be but a handful of people, but she found a crowd; and sitting on the sand, looking at the delicate scarlet ink of the eastern sky above the tossing breakers, or watching the groups of girls making their table of a sand heap and spreading it with dainties from their baskets, while others gathered drift wood and lighted a picturesque blaze beneath the coffee and clam pots, was a pleasant change from the monotony of her days. Presently, while she gazed, a little boat, with the sunset reddening its sails, quenched its speed in the shiny sand, and Tom Longworthy threw his anchor ashore.

"Letty!"

"Tom!"

"I wish you had allowed me to bring you down."

"I wish I had;" and then they fell to speaking of the moon-led tides, about great storms and wrecks.

"Do you know," she confessed, "their drift wood fire chills me. How do I know but it is a bit of the spar poor Laurence clung to?"

"They are having supper," said Longworthy, turning away. "Let me bring you something. We have been too gloomy."

"No; when I am gloomy, I am in no danger of forgetting. Don't you remember Anderson's story of the poor old maid who used the broken half of a bottle picked up on the beach for her canary's drinking vessel; when it was a bit of the very bottle to which her lost lover had intrusted a tender farewell?"

"You don't mean to be an old maid, Letty?"

"I? The day of my destiny's over. How ghostly the light-house looks! I used to think I should like to live in one, once—especially in stormy weather."

"They will be lighting up presently; we will pay them a visit if you please."

And while they climbed the lighthouse tower, and saw the fishing fleet standing out to sea, and watched the keeper light his lamps, while he told them of the sea birds that beat their lives out against the windows, of ships he had seen go to pieces in the storm, of the canoes he had put out his boat to the rescue, and his wife keeping the lights bright alone amidst the gale, their friends were gathering up the fragments and steaming homeward, each thinking that Letty was with the other. When Tom and Letty came out under the stars, the beach had a wild and lonely aspect; some night bird was screaming overhead, the gypsy fire smoldered amidst some stranded timbers, but the sands were deserted. Tom's little craft was the only one in sight, and with the wind dead against them and the tide falling, it would be useless to start for some hours to come.

"We may as well make ourselves comfortable," said Tom, bringing fresh fuel for the fire. "I am to blame for this disaster."

"I don't call it a disaster exactly," said Letty. "Do you see how much our boat log resembles a crouching camel? In this weird light I can half believe that we are belated on the desert, and are bivouacking till day. It's rather romantic than disastrous."

"I'm glad you see it in that light. You would make the desert blossom like a rose."

"How you flatter me!"

"I? Wetnever flatter those we love."

"You needn't take pains to tell me that you don't love me," she laughed.

"I take pleasure in saying that I do."

"That you do!—that you do!"

"Yes. I do love you, Letty," stretching his arms toward her, for she had risen and half moved away. "Letty! Letty! don't be angry with me for loving you. How could I help it?"

"You must," she cried; "you mustn't love me. You don't. It's all a fancy. You deceive yourself. I can't allow you to love me."

"You might as well say that you wouldn't allow the frost to pinch you, or the rain to drench you. Can't you love me a little, Letty?"

"Oh, don't ask me! don't! I can't; it is quite impossible. Forgive me for saying so. You have always been a friend to me."

"And always shall be, Letty."

"Then don't let us talk about love, nor think of it. I shall never marry."

"But if you should change your mind"—

"I can never change it."

"Yet if such a thing should happen—women have that privilege, you know—you will find me always the same."

"But you must be sure that it never can happen."

"Since you deny me so much, humor this whim of mine, Letty, and promise me that if any change should occur, you will let me know."

"I can safely promise that," she replied.

"Thank you."

It is not often that a lover is obliged to impose his society upon the sweetheart who has refused him. One might easily conceive of it as an embarrassing situation, but it did not prove so in the case of Tom and Letty; they spoke or were silent, as the spirit moved. He trimmed his boat with a hand as steady as if all his wishes had been granted. They counted the constellations and the harbor lights, watched the stars set, and the gray dawn shine upon the water, and sunrise was just beginning to glow in tender lines of color as they reached the town, made the boat fast, and stepped ashore.

It was early in December when Letty went into Boston on a visit. She was on her way to the cars, when she was overtaken by Captain Crane, a neighbor, just home from a three years' cruise.

"Ship ahoy!" said he. "How are the folks at Carbondale? Don't know me, Miss Letty? Anything happened since I sailed?"

"Would I did; plenty of change, Captain Crane. Even Carbondale doesn't stand still while you go round the world."

"By-the-way, I fell foul of an old sweetheart of yours in California."

"An old sweetheart of mine?"

"Yes. Even sweethearts get old if you give them time enough. I'raps you don't remember Van Everen?"

"Don't remember Van Everen!"

"Laurence. Wasn't he sweet on you, Miss Letty? I run against him, just by chance, a week before I sailed; he's given up the sea, he tells me—taken to trading. Guess he's married money, by the look of things."

"Married money! Laurence Van Everen! What do you mean, Captain Crane? Don't you know that he was lost at sea in the Flying Scud?"

"Was he? Then the sea's given him up too; it's a mutual affair, eh? He's the substantiatest shadow I ever sighted. The Flying Scud was lost while I was off whaling, but I didn't know he was aboard. But, you see, he wasn't born to be drowned, Van Everen wasn't! His wife can't hold a candle to you, Miss Letty—begging pardon—but I reckon she had solid charms."

Letty was in a half-stunned condition all the way to Carbondale, while Captain Crane spun his yarns. Was it anything to her that Laurence was alive—and married? Did she feel any bitterness that he had given her so much trouble for nothing? Had he broken her heart? She had promised never to marry if he died; but he was not dead. And Tom loved her—and she? Yes, she was grateful to Laurence after all; she felt sure she would like to thank him for having jilted her so cruelly.

"DEAR MR. LONGWORTHY"—she wrote to him—"when I told you I should never marry, it was because I had given a solemn promise to Laurence Van Everen that if he died I would remain single. But he is alive, and I hope you will pardon

"LETTY ANDREWS."

"So the dream departs!" sighed Tom. "The lost hero returns; she is going to marry him after years of constancy. She need not apologize for loving him instead of me. It ends like a novel, only I am left out in the cold, like the villain of the piece. I wonder when Laurence has been all this while. He always had a plausible tongue; but if she loves him—Well, I had better go West and change the scene."

But before going West it was necessary for him to run down to Carbondale, settle some family affairs, and apprise his grandfather of his plans. It was a month since Letty had written her note before he could make up his mind to see her and Carbondale. Then, "I have come, Miss Letty," he blundered, "to offer my congratulations and good-byes at once."

"Congratulations?" questioned Letty, with a perplexed frown.

"Yes. You are looking worn and pale; I'm afraid happiness doesn't agree with you."

"Happiness doesn't agree with me? I don't think I've enjoyed it," returned Letty, impatient. "It was Tom's turn to look surprised.

"I received your note"—

The color trembled across Letty's face, her lip quivered, her eyes dilated. "You received it!" she gasped. "You received it!"

"Wasn't it just a little unnecessary, Letty? I should have heard of it soon enough."

"How could you have heard it if I had not told you?"

"Wouldn't it have been in everybody's mouth? Can a dead man come to life and nobody speak of it? But I dare say you meant kindly, Letty."

"For Heaven's sake, Tom, don't you see what I meant? I received Letty, all of a rose-color.

"Certainly; you meant to break it to me gently that you were going to marry Van Everen."

"But Van Everen is already married."

"Married! What a dunce I am! Letty! Letty! can you forgive me? Can you love such a stupid fellow? Jove! a whole month of happiness forfeited by a blunder! Kiss me, Letty."—*Harper's Bazar.*

Epitaphs.

Near San Diego, California, a tombstone inscription thus reads:

"This here is sakrid to the memory of William Henry Skaraken, who came to his death by being shot by Colt's revolver—one of the old kind, bras mounted, and of sutch is the kingdom of heaven."

A stone cutter once fetched a German, the following epitaph, to be engraved on the tombs one of his deceased wife:

"My vife Susan is dead; if she'd had lif till next Friday, she'd been dead shust two weeks. As a tree falls so she must stand. All things is impossible mit God."

From a tombstone in Cornwall, England:

Father and mother and I
Lie buried here asunder;
Father and mother lie buried here,
And I lie buried off yonder.

A tombstone at Saratoga bears the following:

"Emma, dau'r of Abraham and Matilda C——, and wife of Theodore S——, died Aug. 10, 1868, Æ 26 yrs, leaves five children—married too young against her father's will. Single women take warning."

In the churchyard at Childwald, England, is this stanza:

Here lies the body of John Smith,
Buried in the cloisters;
If he don't jump at the last trump,
Call "Oysters!"

Another in the same cemetery reads: "Here lies the remains of Thomas Woodhen, The most amiable of husbands, and excellent of men.

N. B. His real name was Woodcock, but would not come in rhyme. His widow——

On a tombstone in South Carolina:

"Here lies the body of Robert Gordin,
Mouth almighty and teeth accordin';
Stranger, tread lightly over this wonder,
If he opens his mouth you're gone by thunder."

Time.

In all the actions which a man performs, some part of his life passes. We die while doing that for which alone our sliding life was granted. Nay, though we do nothing, time keeps his constant pace, and flies as fast in idleness as in employment. Whether we play, or labor, or sleep, or dance, or study, the sun posts on, and the sand runs. An hour of vice is as long as an hour of virtue. But the difference between good and bad actions is infinite. Good actions, though they diminish our time here as well as bad actions, yet they lay up for us a happiness in eternity, and will recompense what they have taken away by a plentiful return at last. When we trade with virtue, we do but buy pleasure at the expense of time. So it is not so much a consuming of time as an exchange. As a man sows his corn, he is content to wait a while, that he may, at the harvest, receive with advantage.—*Owen Feltham*, 1636.

"A flumber of dogs were shot in the East End last night."—*Saturday's Leader.* Served them right. Let them keep their east ends out of danger.—*Oil City Derrick.*

THE MUSCOVITE DREAM.

Wresting Constantinople from the Turk to Present it to Europe—Russia's Celestial Ambition.

A St. Petersburg cable dispatch to the New York *Herald* is as follows: Your correspondent had an interview recently with a prominent Russian diplomat, whose name, for certain cogent reasons, I am not at liberty to disclose. It will be seen that the Russian official makes some startling assertions:

Upon my asking whether Russia's intentions were really as disinterested as she had announced in her several circular notes addressed to the powers of Europe, I was told that Russia intended to redeem her pledge as far as the aggrandizement of territory went, but that, should she prove victorious, there was no reason to doubt that she would insist upon the independence of the different tributary States—namely: Bulgaria, Herzegovina, Roumania, Servia and Bosnia, and she would guarantee these provinces their independence, no matter against what power. In other words, she would form a defensive and offensive alliance with these liberated territories.

Upon my asking whether Constantinople, in the event of Russia gaining decisive victories, would be occupied by Russia, I was informed that long before an army could be brought in front of the walls of Constantinople peace would be made. The terms of peace, beside those spoken of above, would perhaps include the surrender, on the part of Turkey, of a portion of her fleet, and, above all, the consummation of a treaty placing the city of Constantinople under the joint control of all the foreign powers. Up to this time a cosmopolitan city has been frequently talked of and several theories been brought forward for its government, but it has never been practically tried. On Constantinople, then, if my informant is correctly advised, the first attempt will be made. The city will probably be garrisoned by troops of a neutral power, while its virtual government will be invested in a legislative and executive body of men composed of different nationalities, and, perhaps, a tax or tribute will be paid to the Ottoman empire. The plan in itself is feasible and one which has often been spoken of without having seriously been advocated. Should the attempt to make Constantinople a cosmopolitan city, and, consequently, a free port, succeed, the advantages accruing to all nations would be immense.

England would be the greatest gainer by it; hence there is little danger that she will oppose the scheme. England need never fear, continued my informant, that Russia will ever attempt to jeopardize her trade in India nor ever try to deprive her of one inch of her Indian territory. It would be, in the first place, absolutely impossible to send a sufficient force of men to defeat the English troops, aided, as they would be, by the natives. Hannibal may have crossed the Alps, but certainly no Russian general with his army will ever cross the Himalaya mountains. And even could this difficult undertaking be accomplished and India conquered, the force which would have to be employed to keep that country in subjugation would be so enormous that it would more than counteract the benefits derived from its acquisition, especially as the Muscovite government is not favorably looked upon by the Mohammedan population.

No, Russia has no intention of advancing into India. Her ambition is to become the master and possessor of a part of the Celestial empire. Toward this end all her inroads into Asia are directed. China, with all its resources as yet untouched, with its peaceful but industrious population, with its mineral resources, with its highly appreciated manufactures, all these offer far more temptation to Russia than the almost exhausted India. And how easy of access to Russia. With Turkestan as her vassal or tributary State she can transport her troops to whatever part of the frontier of the Chinese empire may be most advantageous, and no power can prevent her from helping herself to as much territory as she desires. With Constantinople a free or national port, and China intersected by railroads, Russia may control a vast amount of commerce.

It is true that there is a large population of Mohammedans in China; that the country is so thickly populated that it can put into the field an almost unlimited army, but it must be taken into consideration that the Chinese are not a warlike people; that they are very poorly armed and have no leaders or generals. All of these facts were demonstrated in 1860 in the war of Formosa, and still later in the Corean campaign. Nor would it be the interest of England to oppose Russian advance into China, for naturally a great amount of trade would find its way to her Indian seaports, and though Russia may be a more dangerous neighbor than China, still she would certainly prove herself a more profitable one.

In my opinion, therefore, Russia in making war upon Turkey, has a two-fold object. First, by her advance into Asia to gain the right of way and passage to China, and second, by her operations in Europe to obtain the freedom of the Panslavonic States and make Constantinople a free and cosmopolitan port. She thus redeems her word in not aggrandizing herself, but at the same time paves the way toward securing immense benefit. For in China everything can be found that is needed in Europe, and her teas, wool, rice and cotton, not to speak of her minerals, can be exported in such large quantities and in such an easy manner by railroads, that it will revolutionize the commerce of the world.

I do not think that this war will be of very long duration. Turkey has already recognized her own weakness, and as soon as Russia has concentrated sufficient troops on the Danube to be sure of success in an advance I have no doubt that after one or two decisive victories peace will be made on the basis which I have already mentioned. Turkey has been too chivalrous in attacking Russia on the northern side of the Danube before a sufficient force could have been collected. It is now too late, and the final result may be safely anticipated.

General Custer and His Officers.

It has been definitely determined to remove the remains of the officers slain with Custer in the fight on the Rosebud, and with the exception of the bodies of General G. A. Custer and Lieutenant Crittenden, all will be removed to Fort Leavenworth, and deposited in the National cemetery. General T. A. Crittenden, of Kentucky, has requested that his son's remains be left on the field where he fell, and General Custer will be buried in the National cemetery, at West Point. It was General Custer's wish, repeatedly expressed during his campaigns against the Indians, that he be buried at West Point if he should be killed in the service.

THE RUSSIAN RULER'S COURTESY.—The czar ought to be a popular sovereign for he knows how to ride and be courteous to his subjects. His horsemanship is perfect; although his face is seamed and careworn, in the saddle he shows no sign of age. At Odessa he noticed a poor woman by the roadside, who saluted him as he rode by. Turning in the saddle and looking back, he bowed and touched his cap to her as politely as though she were a princess.

INDIAN SCENES.

A Cattle Hunt and a Dog Feast—Respect for the Aged.

The Denver *News* says: Life at the Sioux agencies is full of interest and romance these days. The glory of warfare departed, the ridiculous phases of savage tranquility manifest themselves on every hand. On the day of the surrender of Dull Knife's Cheyenne tribe, the warriors were scarcely disarmed before they were found constructing war clubs with round rocks and rawhide after their peculiar manner. The day after the Crazy Horse surrender cattle were issued to them in the usual proportion of an Indian's ration; they asked as a favor that the herd of wild Texans be turned over to them alive, so that they could enjoy a sensation like that of a buffalo hunt. The request was granted; about twenty steers were turned loose upon the plain and the savages—armed with bows and arrows and mounted upon ponies obtained from Red Cloud's peace band—gave chase. All the thrilling whoops of battle were shouted and the terrific feats of horsemanship and the skill of the savage with his rudest weapon were exhibited. Goaded by the twinge of the well-aimed arrow, and rendered almost frantic by the unearthly yells, the swift and long-winded Texans skipped over ridge, gully and stream like the wind. Ever moment a poor brute would receive its death wound from the unerring shaft, and occasionally a maddened one would turn and delight his pursuers by a plucky resistance. When the animals were nearly all slain, three or four made a dash over a sheer precipice of some fifteen feet in height. The reckless reds were close upon their heels and turned neither to the right nor left but followed pell mell to the bottom. From the cloud of dust emerged every savage firmly seated and evidently gratified at the thrilling experience. In about twenty minutes the cattle were all slain, and squaws and boys who followed the chase soon made the butchery complete.

A grand peace council was one of the interesting sights afforded a couple of the visitors at Red Cloud agency the other day. Little Wound, one of the most powerful of Sioux chieftains, summoned the other leaders of his nation to his grand council tepees, there to talk over a lasting peace and agency reforms. Two immense tepees were placed side by side and made to furnish room for one hundred men. As the deliberators were gathering in this gorgeously-ornamented chamber, the master of ceremonies and an assistant were slaughtering dogs for the feast which always follows such a momentous carnival of oratory. A rawhide lariat was wound once round the neck of the animal, when a brawny Sioux took hold at either end of the fatal cord, pulled backward and forward with a "see-saw" motion, and thus strangled the victim. Then the dog was thrown upon a blazing camp fire, his hair pretty well singed off, and then the carcass was artistically carved. Thus about a dozen of the largest of their pets were slaughtered. A number of pots were on hand, each for its special purpose. All the heads were thrown in one, all the legs in another, the tails in another, and so on. These were placed upon the fire in the midst of the circles of debaters now assembled. As the guests stepped into the circle, an attendant flung a bright red blanket upon the sward directly in front of Little Wound, Crazy Horse, and other prominent chieftains, while these dignitaries motioned the white men to sit there.

An old man opened the proceedings by an appeal to the Great Spirit, during which the orator in his arguments was pressively deferential. One after another of the savage orators then arose, stepped to the center, and uttered a forcible harangue. This continued for two hours, when, the dogs being done, the leading chief announced that the feast would take place immediately after another prayer. This was pronounced, and all the queer features of the Indian dog feast was soon under way. Dogs feet were no less greedily demolished than canine tenderloins, and the warrior who received a tail for his portion seemed equally pleased with his neighbor who picked long ribs. Guests were treated just as royally, but their opinion of dog meat is scarcely such as would justify its wholesale adoption as an article of diet. Dog soup and coffee followed, all mixed and taken from the same dish. At the close of the feast the prayer or benediction was pronounced, and the assembly adjourned in excellent spirits. Hundreds of squaws and children crowded around during council and feast, but were not allowed admittance.

A striking evidence of generosity was exhibited during the feast. An old Indian, ragged, wrinkled, and fairly tottering in his weakness, entered the circle, introduced by a fiery young warrior. The latter said that his aged companion should be fed and otherwise cared for, and that it was a shame that such feasting should be indulged in by the young and strong while the old were suffering. Little Wound pulled off his fine new blanket and presented it to the old man. Others divested themselves of their comfy mantles and had likewise, while the stolid and relentless Crazy Horse gave the venerable visitor a pony, blanket and other garments.

Fashion Notes.

Straw bonnets of the natural color of the material are most in demand.

Yellow and cardinal bonnet strings are the latest combination shown.

Brocaded silk handkerchiefs have either a yellow, blue, or cardinal border.

Chatelaines are more elaborate than ever, many having small watches attached.

Mousquetaire cuffs of lace, to be worn outside the sleeves, are fashionable.

Long scarfs for neck wear remain in favor.

Five-button silk gloves, "kid fits," are now the most fashionable for ordinary wear.

A novelty in fans is to have the painted picture of a child or friend in the left-hand corner, with a border of flowers.

Italian Valenciennes laces, with the figures carried out in colors, either buff, navy blue or rose, are a novelty for trimming summer dresses.

Colored crepe lisse is imported for plaitings to be worn inside the neck and sleeves of dresses. It is in the fashionable yellow shades, mandarin, cream, buttercup, and the creamy green tilleul.

A Boy's Trip Under a Water-Wheel.

A little son of James Chapman, aged five years, had a very narrow escape from death lately, says the New London *Telegram*. He was playing on the embankment at the lower end of Brigg's pond, when he slipped and fell into the flume of the old oakum mill, and was carried rapidly down the stream, being tossed about by the rushing waters like a chip. It was thought that when he reached the old wheel his brains would be dashed out against it, as the space beneath was not large enough to admit of his passing safely through. But he shot under it like a fish, and went under the bridge at Cedar street, and into the trough through which the water is conducted to Smith's organ factory. Here he succeeded in clutching a joist fastened across the trough, where he clung until he was rescued. His first words, after he had been put in a place of safety, were: "Where's my top?"

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

Recipes.

MUFFINS.—Three pounds of flour, one-quarter pound of yeast powder, three eggs, half a pound of sugar, three ounces of butter. Mix the powder dry in with the flour; in another pan rub the sugar and butter well together, then add the eggs and beat to a thin batter; then add the flour and wet with milk; beat thoroughly; fill the rings and bake in a quick oven. These muffins are good cold as well as hot.

TO COOK SPINACH.—Wash free from dirt and grit and boil twenty minutes in salt and water. Add a small lump of soda to give a handsome color. Drain well and chop as fine as powder. Add butter, salt, a little pepper and nutmeg, and garnish with hard boiled eggs, cut up in various shapes.

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE.—One quart of flour, half a cup of butter, two spoonfuls of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of yeast powder, flour to roll. Split open, spread with butter, then thickly with strawberries, then sprinkle with sugar, then put on the upper half, crust down, spread with butter, berries and sugar, and cover all over with a large pad, to steam and soften, while hot. Eat with cream.

ASPARAGUS.—The freshier the better, and all stalks not crisp and tender should be thrown aside. Cut off the white parts, tie the rest in bunches and boil, with a little salt in the water, for almost twenty minutes; then take out and drain a minute, lay in a deep dish on slices of buttered toast, the heads all one way, covered with a rich drawn butter. Or the stalks may be cut in inch pieces, boiled tender; then seasoned and cooked for a few minutes longer in thick cream.

COFFEE CUSTARD.—Boil one quart of milk with five spoonfuls sugar. Add one cup very strong hot coffee, four beaten eggs, one half cup corn starch, rubbed very smooth, in a little cold milk. Stir well till smooth, put into cups, and when cool ornament with the beaten whites, just before serving. Another good method is to crush the coffee grains coarsely, and add one spoonful to the boiling quart of milk; then proceed as in an ordinary boiled custard, and strain into cups.

VEAL LOAF.—Mince cold roast veal as fine as possible, add one-fourth fat ham chopped very fine, one cup grated bread crumbs; one grated nutmeg, two beaten eggs, a little salt and cayenne; mix well, form in a loaf, glaze over with eggs and sprinkle with bread crumbs; bake half an hour; serve with roast veal gravy, heated, and thickened with a beaten egg put in just before serving.

RHUBARB PIE.—Peel and cut the stalks quite small into a rich paste, put a layer of rhubarb, then a deeper layer of sugar, sprinkle with nutmeg or cinnamon, lay on several small pieces of butter and cover.

VEAL SWEET BREADS WITH TOMATOES.—Set over the fire two quarts of nice, ripe peeled tomatoes, stew half an hour slowly in their own liquor and strain through a coarse sieve; then put in four or five sweet breads, well trimmed and soaked in warm water; add a little salt and cayenne, and one-quarter of a pound of butter, smoothed in three spoonfuls of flour. Stew slowly till the sweet breads are well done, or about an hour and a half. A few moments before dishing stir in the beaten yolks of three eggs.

Poll-evil.

I have a horse that has poll-evil. What will cure it?

An incision should be made, slantingly, with a sharp pointed bistoury or knife upon the right side of the neck at the base of the abscess. The cut must not be so deep as to come in contact with the spinal marrow. The opening at the base of the tumor should be made sufficient in size to allow the pus to freely escape as fast as it forms. A seton should be passed down from the natural opening at the top of the tumor through the artificial opening made at its base. Before inserting the seton it should be dipped in tincture of cantharides. This will be found the safest plan to adopt for promoting healthy granulation and adhesion of the walls of the tumor. The fistulous track is not probably very long unless it has been some time standing, and the tape seton will work its way gradually and efficaciously out, by which time the cure is made. A stimulus is also necessary to be applied to the interior of the tumor, by resaturating the seton, in three or four days after it is first inserted, with a solution made by dissolving ten grains of nitrate of silver in one ounce of cold water. This latter should be applied twice a week until a healthy discharge appears. Then stop. In the opening, from the top down to the bottom, should be injected, three times a week, a stimulus composed of one drachm of chloride of zinc dissolved in one pint of cold water. Apply the zinc lotion in half an hour after using the cantharides and nitrate of silver lotion. The cantharides should be used only once, and the nitrate of silver on the third or fourth day after, and continued twice a week as long as necessary.

Measuring Corn, Etc.

Please publish a correct rule for measuring corn in a wagon bed; also state what is good for a horse with heaves.

B. P. WILLS.

You do not state whether the rule desired is for corn in the ear or shelled corn; but if for the latter, obtain the number of cubic inches in the box, or so much as is occupied by the corn; then divide that by 2150.42, the number of cubic inches in a bushel; or you can first find the number of cubic feet, by multiplying the length, breadth and depth, and then dividing the number of cubic feet by seven and one-fourth (or 1,224); because a bushel contains about one and one-fourth cubic feet. Corn in the ear varies according to varieties. Of some it will take two bushels of ears to make one of shelled corn; but with others, one and a half bushels will yield this amount. For heaves turn the animal out to pasture whenever possible, and in winter give laxative food, such as carrots, turnips and beets; also sprinkle hay and oats, and avoid dust food of all kinds. Sedatives may also be given, such as digitalis, opium and belladonna occasionally. Arsenic in doses of five grains daily, continued for a month, is considered valuable medicine for horses.

Injury to Trees by Bleeding Sap.

M. A. J., Quakertown, Penn., writes: What is the cause of sap running from apple trees and killing the limbs and trunks of the trees where it flows. I have some trees that have been trimmed, and where the branches have been cut off they are partially healed over, when a sour water will start out of the center of the stump and will soon kill the portion of the tree over which it runs. Sometimes the trunk of the tree will crack of itself, and this sour water will start from the crack. Can you tell me the cause and the remedy?

REPLY.—The mischief is caused by too late pruning, and by not covering the wounds with some impervious coating. Sometimes no harm is done, but when there is an excessive flow of sap it exudes from the wounded surface, and, containing considerable sugar, it becomes sour and damages the bark over which it flows. To prevent it the pruning should be done very early in the spring, and when any branches of considerable size are cut off they should be cut very smoothly and even with the bark, and the stump be covered with common oil and lead paint or a coating of shellac varnish.

How to Apply Paris Green, and also Ashes to Potatoes.

L. H. M. asks if common plaster is as good mixed with paris green as flour of gypsum; also, which is the best way for using ashes for potatoes, in or on the hill?

REPLY.—Common plaster is the flour of, or finely ground, gypsum that has been treated to drive off the water of crystallization, of which about twenty-one per cent. is contained in it. When this is freed from water it is used as plaster, and when mixed with water again it chemically combines with it and forms a solid mass. It will not answer to use this with paris green, but instead of it the raw, finely ground gypsum, or agricultural "plaster," should be used. A very good way to use ashes on potatoes is to scatter them about the hills, now, and hoe them in when the crop is hoed, which, by-the-bye, may be done now very usefully.

Thoughts for Saturday Night.

Friendship is infinitely better than kindness.

There have been fewer friends on earth than kings.

Love is a flame which burns in heaven, and whose soft reflections radiate on us.

They are generally better satisfied whom fortune never favored than those whom she has forsaken.

As long as love prevails in the house space of the breadth of a sword is satisfactory. As soon as it disappears sixty hand-breadths are not sufficient.

Love teaches cunning even in innocence, and when he gets possession his first work is to dig deep within a heart and there he hid, and like a miser in the dark, to feast alone.

Life, whether in this world or any other, is the sum of our entertainment, our existence, our character. The conditions are secondary. In what other world shall we be more surely than we are here?

There is not, perhaps, a more whimsical figure in nature than a man of real modesty who assumes an air of impudence; who, while his heart beats with anxiety studies ease and affects good humor.

What is this life but the circulation of little actions? We lie down and rise again, dress and redress, feed and grow hungry, work and play, and are weary; and then we lie down again and the circle returns.

With virtue, capacity and good conduct one can still be unsupportable. The manners, which are neglected as small things, are often those which decide men for or against you. A slight attention to them would have prevented their ill judgment.

Manners are the shadows of virtues; the momentary display of those qualities which our fellow creatures love and respect. If we strive to become, then, what we strive to appear, manners would often be rendered useful guides to the performance of our duties.

That politeness which we put on, in order to keep the presumptuous at a proper distance, will generally succeed. But it is sometimes that these obtrusive characters are on such excellent terms with themselves that they put down their very goodness to the score of their own great merits and high pretensions, meeting the coldness of our reserve with a ridiculous condescension of familiarity, in order to set us at ease with ourselves.

A Polish Manifesto Against Russia.

The Constantinople central committee of Polish immigrants has issued the following appeal:

"To our brothers dispersed in banishment over the whole world:

"The foe of our land for centuries, who has dismembered it and wasted it with fire and sword, who deprived us of our property, nationality, freedom, religion, and even our mother tongue, presumes, under the hypocritical mask of a champion of the Christians, to unfold his war standard and to send his savage hordes against Turkey, our ally in the time of our independence and our magnanimous protector in the time of our exile—against Turkey, who alone of all the powers has refused to the present day to recognize the partition of Poland.

"Shall we remain unconcerned spectators in this struggle between despotism and constitutional institutions, the very despotism which destroyed our constitution of the third of May, which would have reinvigorated Poland? No, our place is on the side of Turkey, and all friends of freedom and intelligence will be with us. To arms! then, to arms! which his majesty the sultan has so magnanimously placed at our disposal. All Europe looks on at this struggle—that same Europe which has allowed itself to be entrapped through the deceitful promises and the intrigues of Muscovite policy. Let us show it that we are still alive; let us show it that we are able to do something.

"The thunder of cannon already reaches our ears. Let us not lose a minute. Let us rend the chains which fetter our white eagle. The wild hordes of czardom will not stand before our united force, and we shall erect our colors at the mouth of the Vistula and the Memel, and the mouths of the Dnieper and the Dniester. Europe will recover its equilibrium lost a hundred years ago, and will owe it to us. To arms! then, brothers, and again to arms!"

A Domestic Romance.

James Boyd is one of the wealthiest young farmers of O'Hara township, Pa. Miss Minnie Brown is the daughter of another wealthy farmer of the same neighborhood. On the seventeenth of last August Alderman McKelvey, of Allegheny, was called to unite the two in marriage. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the family only, but in a little time after the knot had been tied Boyd excused himself for a few moments, and left the room. Instead of returning he sprang into his carriage, drove home, and from that time to the present has never visited nor spoken to his wife. A few days ago the father of the abandoned bride appeared before Alderman McKelvey and charged Boyd with desertion, and the latter was placed under a bond of $1,000 for his appearance at the June sessions. The parties are among the most respectable people of the neighborhood, and the young wife and her family are heart-broken at the situation.

Roumanian Discretion.

The Roumanian soldiers look so well when they are on dress parade at Bucharest that some of the war correspondents have been beguiled into the notion that they can fight. An incident which a correspondent of the London *News* relates shows that they would not have offered much resistance to the Turks if an attempt had been made from Rustchuk or Widdin to forestall the advance of the Russians. There was a corps of observation stationed at Giurgevo to watch the Turks, and it occurred to the minister of war that it would be a good thing to exercise these troops and accustom them to the sounds of war. So one night he ordered the alarm to be sounded. He has been heard to say that he bitterly repented having taken so bold a measure, for it took him a week to get the detachment together again.

HUSBANDS AND WIVES.

Sharp Criticism of the Lords of Creation—Wives' Sacrifices Without Compensating Advantages.

"They are just married," was the remark of all the fellow passengers of a certain couple on a railway train the other day. And wherever that couple went on their journey the same observation was repeated. There are certain indications about the recently wedded which always betray the happy parties as enjoying their "honeymoon." Though from time immemorial the said moon has been regarded as transient, every woman who marries thinks that her case is an exception, and that the new happiness is to be continued indefinitely between the twain until death do them part. It is not pleasant to think that the woman who thus confides must, in too many cases, be disappointed. She must find that the suitor who professed that her companionship was the one thing necessary to his happiness will discover that there are many other things which her husband deems pleasant, and with which the wife has little, if anything, to do. As a rule, the less she is interested in his outdoor movements the better he is pleased. Courtship is one thing. Wedded life is another. Indeed, some women go so far as to say that nearly every boy or man is in a condition of chronic opposition to the girls or women in the family where he domiciles. It is charged that the lads would not "go a courting" if it did not vex their sisters; and that they would not marry if mothers were not in some cases entirely averse to their marriage, and in

Centre Reporter.

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CENTRE HALL, Pa., June 28, 1877.

Harrisburg democrats have instructed in favor of Noyes, of Clinton, for state treasurer.

Hayes thinks, by this time, that the old Whig party won't revive worth a cent.

The smallest lights put into windows used to be 8x10. They have a smaller light in the whitehouse now, it is an 8x7.

Sixteen counties in this state are known to favor Judge Mayer for the Supreme bench.

Stanley Matthews, the Ohio senator, is the man who runs Hayes now.

John Bull is going a fishing. He has set his hooks for a $14,000,000 haul. We never knew a party that started out with a brag, but what returned with a water haul. We'll see whether John Bull gets a bite.

The democratic party is getting stronger—last Thursday eleven Mollies were put out of the way.

The republicans would as anxiously count Hayes out now as they counted him in last winter. Queer.

Grant is having a big time in Europe—he is being feasted, wined and dined all the time by the aristocracy. He eats so many big dinners that he does not get time to make long speeches. Grant stock in England is sort-o-riz.

Our cousins up in Canada must think Uncle Sam is rich and has pockets full of money. They are asking the little sum of 12 millions damages on account of the fisheries, and a commission is now sitting upon this claim, in Montreal. The British case was filed, and consists of a most voluminous history of the fishery difficulties since the American revolution, and claims $12,000,000 damages on the part of the Dominion, and $2,800,000 for Newfoundland for twelve years, six of which have elapsed.

That's what we would call a big fish story.

If the jew, Seligman, who was refused accommodation at the Grand Union Hotel, had thought of the Reporter's idea, he could have made short controversy by telling the manager they might "go to H—elton.

Turkey—the sick man, as it is called—is hard up, and intends going for the stamps of Islam, at Mecca, and draw on the Treasury of the prophet Mohammed there, which groans with the accumulations of 400 years, the droppings from the pilgrims who go there annually to worship. Mr. Delaplaine, Charge d'Affaires of the United States at Vienna, says: The Sheik Ul Islam has recently sent a delegation of Doctors of Law to the Cherif of Mecca, direct descendant of the Prophet, for the purpose of demanding funds from the treasure of Islam, to be applied in defence of the Islam faith. This treasure is formed from annual offerings of Pilgrims which are accumulated in the Kasbah of Mecca. The Cherif of Mecca receives an average of 15,000,000 francs in annual offerings. One of the offertory chests was opened during the Russo-Turkish war in 1828. Several large sums were withdrawn, but it was afterward again closed. The second chest was opened in 1854 during the Crimean war, but the third has not been opened since 1415. It is conjectured that the accumulation of money in the last named offertory chest cannot be less than 250,000,000 and it is fully believed the total amount of the treasure of Islam will exceed 600,000,000 francs and even a much higher sum.

In 40 counties of this state the republicans have held their county conventions, and only one, Venango, has endorsed Hayes' administration. They stood by the counting in, now why do not these rads stand by the great Count In.

TO HAVE THEIR TODDY.

Hayes lets out to be a temperance man. He does not take any himself, but when he has a friend to dine with him, that does, the bitters will not be denied at the white house. The Boston temperance women learning that Hayes will soon pay that city a visit, a committee of ladies, representing the Women's Temperance Union, waited on Mayor Prince with a petition that no intoxicating liquors be used at a banquet to be given in honor of President Hayes by the city of Boston. Mrs. Livermore headed the delegation. The Mayor made an address, the substance of which was as follows: "I have been studying the subject for thirty years and know that the desire of prohibitionists cannot be accomplished, for the reason that it is not right that it should be. I approve of a moderate use of wine and liquor, and as Executive of the City of Boston, I have a duty to perform at the coming banquet, and on similar occasions. The city of Boston desires that every courtesy shall be extended to the President and I am determined that nothing shall be left undone which should contribute to the proper festivities of the banquet. It is customary on similar occasions to furnish wine, and I shall certainly do so in this instance."

DON'S EDICT AND COMMAND.

In the Pittsburg Commercial-Gazette, of the 15 inst., is to be found, in the shape of editorial. under the caption of "Our State Policy," Don Cameron's command to his faithful fusiliers. We have no room to insert the whole article in the Reporter, therefore give but a few extracts, which explain how President Hayes is to be stabbed under the fifth rib. This significant proclamation commences by saying that, "As the time draws near for the state convention to assemble, we find a very unusual interest cropping out relative to several things. 1st. Will the convention make expression relative to the President's southern policy?" and then refers to the contest in Ohio and the defeat of Stanley Matthews as U. S. Senator, and continues, "*If other states speak out against* the southern policy, it will make it difficult *to represe the expression of what is undoubtedly the prevailing sentiment of the party in this state.*"

Is this the reason Don had his state convention to adjourn to a later day than fixed upon by the state committee, until he hears from "other states"? Then he strokes his batton and continues, "Were it not for the intense eagerness of many who assume to speak for the Administration a prevalent and universal sympathy for all and singular that has been and is being done by the Administration, our situation in this state would be better. But a feeling is developing that misrepresentations as to our real attitude *must be corrected*, even *if harsh means must be made use of.*" Here we find Don and Simon have raised the whip, and woe to the cohort that disobeys—and then to give the reprobates a reason to turn about and jump Jim Crow, continues, "Fortunately the canvass this year is a purely state canvass. It does not include members of congress, and hence *makes no call for a declaration on national questions.* These not only may be, but *should be put* aside." "Hence we are confident that if the Republican party in this state *confine* itself to *state matters* in *its platform*, its success before the people is certain."

Here is the fruits of Don's visit to Pittsburg, to become acquainted with its manufactures! He has the Commercial-Gazette furnace in full blast—the county and state conventions of the Republican party must be num as respects the republican administration under Hayes. Did he not turn out Don from the Secretaryship of the War office—and he now calls upon his political janizaries in all parts of the state to muzzle any expression in favor of Hayes' administration. He must be compelled to confess that the Camerons own the Republican party of the state, and in this county the Republican party are under the control of a few of Cameron's drill sergeants in Bellefonte, who have taken the cue from Don and say the approaching fall election is an off year, and they will say nothing about their republican President's administration in their county convention, and send delegates to the state convention that will oppose any expression in its favor. Beauty for ashes——.

WHAT WHISKEY DOES.

Judge Orvis, says the Clearfield Times, in one of his temperance speeches in Clearfield, gave some statistics of the terrible results from the use of intoxicating liquor. Judge Orvis said: "That during his entire practice at the bar, in all criminal cases, the cause could be traced directly or indirectly to the use of intoxicating liquor, and that in nine cases out of ten where murder is committed the criminal is a drinker of liquor." Then Mr. Orvis stated that in one single case in this county—the trial of Turner—the county incurred an expense of $6,000; then the expenses of Turner and his witnesses would be equally as much, "all traced directly to whisky." Why the people of this county have no idea what the sale of whisky costs them in taxes each year. They pay for it all through the Quartor Sessions court, in which our criminal cases are tried. Would it not be well for the reader to consider this matter calmly. Then Judge Orvis said: "My friends, have you any idea what it costs to hold one day's session in your court house? Why, you will open your eyes when I tell you that $1,000 will hardly cover the expense for one day." Think of this. Then remember that almost half the year is taken up with court and the docket is three years behind. These are facts which cannot be disputed.

HAYES AND HIS PARTY.

The World correspondent at Washington tells of the growing discontent in the republican ranks over the policy of Hayes. He says: During the past week there have been quite a number of prominent republican leaders and politicians in Washington from all portions of the country, and the administration has learned some wholesome facts as to the political condition of things in several of the states. Senator Oglesby and Governor Collum, of Illinois; Senators Allison, of Iowa, and Windom, of Minnesota; the chairmen of the republican committees of North Carolina and Massachusetts; Senator Matthews, of Ohio; James W. Husted, of New York, and others are among those competent to speak of the situation of their respective sections, while many less prominent, but possessing equal facilities for forming correct opinions of politics, have contributed their views. It hardly need be said that they furnish full confirmation of the impression which had become general here that the administration meets with no enthusiastic indorsement in any quarter, and only a tender approval in a few. While there is no open revolt among republicans, there is a universal undercurrent of doubt and discontent which seems to increase with the different phases of the so-called policy of reform, by which the influence of republicans who claim to have borne the beat and burden of the day in the campaign is cast aside in questions of political preferment. They find themselves astonished that they are without favor in the eyes of the administration which they put in power, and are unable to reconcile the conflict of profession and fact in appointments to office. If they solicit an office for themselves or friends they are met with the answer "that it is not in the line of civil service reform." In the next bulletin they are dazed with the selection of the venerable Kenneth Rayner, of North Carolina who was in congress thirty years ago, as solicitor of the treasury and the removal of Solicitor Talbot "for political reasons." Not only is there no appointment made in the line of promotion, but able competent republicans are thrust aside for those who represent no one but themselves. In the same state a colored man named Hyman who applied for a position as route agent a few years ago and landed by an accident in congress, was yesterday appointed collector of internal revenue. It is the concurrent testimony of his republican friends that he is utterly unfit for the position. These appointments for North Carolina, where Mr. Hayes has stronger hopes of an administration majority than in any other southern state, as the outcrop of one phase or the other of his policy, are regarded by republicans of that state as utterly destructive of at least half of the present republican minority there. That Mr. Hayes should thus blunder is not so much to be wondered at by those who have talked with him for a few days past, but that so shrewd and experienced a politician as Mr. Sherman should approve of them passes their understanding. These facts are but a reflex of those in other states. The removal of "my dear Pitkin" and the appointment of Wharton as United States marshal in Louisiana, the changes in the steamboat inspectors in that state and Ohio, were all admitted to be without the rule of the civil service. The republican politicians therefore begin to think that "civil service reform" means the removal of well-tried officials and the filling of the vacancies with personal appointments. The result of all this—to say nothing of the growing bewilderment of the administration on the financial issues—it is amitted by the republicans here, will be a listless campaign the coming autumn and inevitable defeat to the party. Already the doubtful propriety of indorsing Hayes in the state conventions is discussed. He may not be condemned, but he will not be mentioned, except probably in his own state of Ohio.

The croakers who always stood in the way, paid nothing, yet grumbled and predicted we would never have a railroad, can now see the results of the persistent efforts of the men in Pennsvalley, who advocated the construction of our road, and gave their means to secure it. Some who did nothing, are now glad to accept its benefits, and would even ask special favors. While it will indirectly benefit all, its earnest champions, who stood up for it, through good and evil report, should and will have first consideration where favors are to be given. The road was slow a-coming—but it is here.

The Tribune, official Hayes organ, speaks thus of Packard, late carpet-bag governor of Louisiana who helped to count in Hayes, himself received 1000 more votes than Hayes, yet was made to walk by the great-counted-in. The Tribune alludes to him thus:

Why can't Packard be persuaded to hold on his course due north until he finds shelter under the British flag, since the old flag, as he claims, no longer protects him? When one country gets too hot for Sitting Bull, he folds up his wigwam and emigrates to another, and his example ought to commend itself to all the other implacables. To Indians not taxed, unemployed statesmen, and other parties who desire to be cooled off, the mean temperature of the Manitoba country ought to be attractive. And then colonists who are suffering for a little active or passive domestic violence might be accommodated in such society at short notice.

The European news indicates that both England and Austria, are about to make moves which may lead to further complications. England is to dispatch an army to Egypt of some 20,000 men who will occupy that country ostensibly to protect the Suez Canal, but once John Bull gets his hooks in, there is little doubt the occupation will be permanent and the land of the Pharoahs will in time become an English colony. Austria is concentrating from twenty thousand to forty thousand troops on the Servian frontiers. A London dispatch says it now seems to be beyond doubt that Austria has determined to occupy Servia, Bosnia and Herzegovinia, and it is expected that the passage of the Danube by the main body of the Russian army will be the signal for the Austrians to cross the frontier. Out of these movements by Austria and England it is not improbable they may drift into active intervention against Russia. Other dispatches of a different tenor report that Russian explanations as to the policy to be pursued after the capture of Constantinople are in the main satisfactory to England.

BOSS TWEED'S STATEMENT.

A FULL SYNOPSIS BY HIS COUNSEL.

New York, June 20.—John D. Townsend, counsel of William M. Tweed, in a letter to Attorney General Fairchild, which will be published to-morrow, gives a synopsis of Tweed's statement, which was sent to the attorney general and recently returned by him. Tweed is willing to swear that the facts therein set forth are true except such as are stated upon information, only Mr. Tweeds asks no *nolle pros* of the judgment for $6,000,000 now held against him, but desires to make whatever reparation is in his power, and is ready to go anywhere to testify with regard to the ring frauds.

The subject generally about which Mr. Tweed offered to give evidence was as follows:

First. He offered to prove and did set forth in detail how and under what circumstances the ring had its origin; of whom it was composed; their relative position towards each other, and the manner in which the stolen money was divided among them, giving the percentages to each; how the money was raised which was used to effect corrupt legislation, and who took part in it; the manner in which heads of departments in the city connived with them to raise money to influence legislation, and how by the certification of bills against the city for which the city received little or no consideration; how these heads of departments were reimbursed; the names of the persons who represented the different members of the ring in the business of receiving their individual shares of the stealings, and he offered to prove that most of the persons who presented bills at that time were duly cognizant of the frauds and joined in them.

Second. He detailed the workings of the ring in the former board of supervisors, giving the names of the members and also the names of the persons who prepared the bills against the city, many of which had no foundation whatever, and also setting forth the names of firms and departments who were special favorites with different members of the ring with whom business was done in a fraudulent manner. In corroboration of this statement he set forth for your inspection copies of a large number of checks made in payment to different members of the ring or their representatives, and endorsed by them.

Third. He gave the names of a large number of members of the state legislature with whom he had corrupt dealings during his four years in the senate and verified his statement by checks.

Fourth. He named several lobbyists through whom in many instances directly, and by whose advice generally the ring controlled the action of members of the state legislature during his four years in the senate, and how the services of these men were compensated either by money or place in the public offices of the city.

Fifth. He set forth his knowledge regarding several very large suits which are at issue against the city involving millions of dollars and pronounced them to be fraudulent. He gave names of persons who would corroborate his evidence if they were communicated with and immunity was promised to them.

Sixth. He offered his own testimony and stated where corroborative evidence of it could be had against the corporations known as the New York printing company, Manufacturing stationers and the Transcript association, all of which he declared to be systematically organized and controlled for the purpose of defrauding the city.

Seventh. He sets forth how, when and for what purposes the ring and the then managers of a great railroad in this state became united in interest and with the effect produced by such a combination were not only pecuniarily but as affecting the management of the railroad, the influence on the courts, the pollution of the legislature and the politics of the state.

Eighth. By illustration he showed how politics in this city were controlled by a combination of corrupt men of both parties, who traded with each other for the election to office of persons regardless of the public will.

Ninth. He was the recognized agent for another great railroad in the state for a time, "while a state senator," and he set forth the manner in which corrupt legislation was obtained by him for that corporation and the name of the lobbyist through whom it was mainly effected.

Tenth.—He furnished a complete schedule of all his real estate, whether held in his own name or by others for him since 1868 or 1869, setting forth the date of it, acquisition, the cost and price of each separate piece, the parties from whom purchased and to whom transferred and the consideration received by him on the sale. He further offered to make a general assignment to the people of all his property, real and personal, and submit to any examination as to his property, public or private, that you might consider necessary or advisable, and for the purpose of showing how his property had been disposed of and lost he offered you an immense number of checks, receipts and other evidence.

The story that an effort will be made at the next session of congress to pass some measure looking to the trial before some competent tribunal of the questions of fact involved in the disputed returns of the presidential election is again revived. It is now asserted, in the most positive manner, that Senator Conkling will present such a measure and that it will become a law.

The indications are that unless the Russians on the Danube hasten their intended operations they will soon have to contend with a deadlier foe than the Turks—miasmatic fever. Already the death breeding mists, rising from the swamps, hang over their camps, and a hot summer sun will soon warm the dormant pestilence into activity.

The Titusville bank failed on 22.

A GRAND HUNT.

600 Deer, 13 Great Wolves, 10 Bears and 3 Panthers at one Haul.

[From the Reading Eagle.]

Bradford is now one of the largest in area and most populous counties in Pennsylvania. When the Bucks, the grandfathers of the present generation, came here, the place was literally a howling wilderness. The wolves in great droves hunted almost every other living thing.

"About 70 years ago," said old Mr. Buck, we had a grand hunt here—a circular hunt, taking in the country round for thirty miles. It is said that over 600 men were engaged in it, and that was a great many for those times. There was a captain over every ten men to see that they did not shoot one another in the excitement. The place of meeting, or rather the centre of the circular hunt, was a round hill near Le Raysville, on the head waters of the Wyalusing. The hunt lasted three days, the first to drive in the game, and the next two to kill and divide it. On the morning of the second day the round mountain was covered with all kinds of game, and the growls of bears and howling of wolves, and the rushing of deer in every direction, made the men, many of whom had not hunted much before, nearly crazy. At daylight the firing began. The ring closed in until the men stood eight deep around the circle. The great elk and deer would make a rush from the centre of the frightened group and leap clear over the heads of the men and escape. The panthers had to be chased from tree to tree, the wolves would sneak behind with grinning jaws. They were the strong, wiry, northern kind of wolves and had claws as long as a man's fingers and as sharp as needles. They could tear a dog to pieces in a twinkling, but their great offense had been the killing of sheep and calves.

The firing continued all day. Toward evening it was tremendous. As it grew dark the men gathered together, and at the word, all fired together. The night was spent in dividing the game. The result was 600 deer, 13 wolves, 10 bears and 3 immense panthers.—There were no more calves killed by the wolves in that part of the country."

Ten car loads of fine peaches were received last week in Philadelphia, and readily disposed of there and in New York and Boston. The fruit arrived in excellent condition. The Southern crop will hold the market until the early varieties from Eastern Virginia, Maryland and Delaware put in an appearance.

Simon Cameron told a political friend here recently that, in his judgement, Pennsylvania would go Democratic at the next election.—Washington despatch to the Cleveland Herald.

The Williamsport Bulletin says, Steadily and surely Colonel Noyes, of Clinton county, continues to gain in strength for the Democratic nomination for state treasurer, and his success may almost be set down as an absolute certainty.

SCORE ONE FOR THE TURKS.

Constantinople, June 21.—The Basileett newspaper to-day announces that Falk Pasha, Turkish commander at Van, having been advised of the approach of 1,( ) Russians, dispatched a body of cavalry and infantry against them.

The Russians were defeated and fled to Bazazid, in the district of Alout, which place the Turks have invested. As Falk Pasha has cut them off from all assistance, the capitulation of Bazazid is imminent. A correspondent of the same journal, dated June 19, says Suliman Pasha has joined Ali Saib and their united armies are marching upon Cettinje.

ACROSS THE DANUBE.

The Engagement Between the Russians and Turks at Galatz.

London, June 23.—The event which has been awaited with such feverish anxiety all over Europe—the passage of the Danube by the Russians—has at last taken place and the war has now begun in real earnest. A whole Russian corps is already on the Bulgarian side and the news of the passage of the river at various points may be expected at any moment.

The czar himself, with his whole staff, intends to cross the river to-day to join his soldiers, so that the first operations of the army on Turkish soil may take place under his own eye. The announcement of this fact has inspired great confidence into the troops, and they are full of enthusiasm. All is haste and excitement on the Roumanian side of the river, and the news of a Turkish attack on the troops that have passed the river is hourly expected.

An advance was then made toward Matchin, the object being to attack at once, before the place could be reinforced. The Turks were found posted on a range of hills to the northwestward of the town. The batteries on these hills opened on the Russian troops, and a strong detachment of irregulars sallied out to meet their inveterate foes, the Cossacks. They did not risk a close encounter, however, and a few shells from the Russian battery posted on the assailed flank dispersed the Bashi-Bazouks and caused their inglorious retreat under cover of the batteries on the hills.

Without delay the Russians were ordered to advance and charge the batteries. After a severe hand to hand fight the outlying fortifications were captured and the guns turned upon the fleeing Turks. Thus favorably opened the armed occupation of the Dobrudscha.

The second assault followed as soon as the men could be reformed, and, with the aid of the newly acquired field pieces, the heights were carried by storm. These most desperate struggles, in which the fighting was in many instances hand to hand, continued until late in the afternoon.

Driven from their intrenched position the Turks fell back on Matchin. Nightfall of Friday settled down over the hills and valleys, and the victorious invaders deemed it wiser to rest on the successes of the day than to attempt to follow up the retreat of the Turks. But the Russians bivouacked for the night in the deserted camp.

A GREAT BATTLE IN PROGRESS—GIURGEVO IN FLAMES.

The unsuccessful attempt of the Russians to cross near Rustchuk, has been followed by a severe battle on the Danube, in which the Turkish gunboats have taken active part. The town of Giurgevo, opposite Rustchuk, occupied by Russians, has been set on fire by Turkish shells. Heavy firing is still going on.

Simultaneously with the crossing into Dobrudscha news comes of a general movement of Russian troops between Slatina and Alexandria down to the Danube between Turnee, Magurely and Simuetza. The Ninth Army Corps, which forms the extreme right, leading the way.

Bombardments continued along the whole line Sunday, including the batteries at Oltinitza, Beket Grahova and Kalafat.

England has notified Russia that she will not allow her to occupy Constantinople.

Nearly the entire business portion of Marble-head, Mass., was destroyed by fire on Monday. Loss over $15,000,000.

——Any of our subscribers sending us a new name for the Reporter, and the cash along, we will send each at $1.75 for the year. Reader, with a little exertion you can thus help our circulation, and be paid for the trouble.

Mr. Daniel F. Beatty, manufacturer and proprietor of the Beatty Piano and Beatty's celebrated Golden Tongue Parlor Organs, Washington, N. J., is certainly a very reasonable and generous man to transact business with. He makes this very fair proposition to any who may favor him with an order, as follows: "If the instrument does not prove satisfactory after a test trial of five days after receiving it the purchase money will be refunded upon the return of the instrument, and he will pay freight charges both ways." This is certainly an exceeding, generous, and safe manner in which to transact business with him. He warrants his instruments for six years. See his advertisement. July 20.y

A GREAT CONFLAGRATION.

ST. JOHN SWEPT OF $15,000,000 IN PROPERTY, WITH THE LOSS OF MANY LIVES.

Thousands of Homeless and Destitute People, and the fire Still Raging.

St. John, N. B., June 20.—This afternoon a 2.30 fire broke out in McLaughlin's boiler shop, Portland. A strong northwesterly wind was blowing at the time, and in an incredibly short time the flames burst out, carrying with them hundreds of houses, stores and lumber yards. The fire spread rapidly toward the business portion of St. John, clearing in its career entire streets of buildings—Dock street, Market square, the whole of Prince William street, Water street, the south side and a part of the north side of King street, King's square, Germain, Canterbury, Princess, Duke, Leinster, Charlotte and Orange streets, the whole of the lower Cove district, Sydney and Carmarthen streets, portions of Wentworth and Pitt streets; in fact the entire city south of King street, including wharves and shipping. Among the public buildings destroyed are the new Post-office, valued at $200,000; the Custom-House, Victoria Hotel, Academy of Music, Dramatic Lyceum, Royal Hotel, the Bank of New Brunswick Maritime Bank, agencies of the Banks of Montreal and Nova Scotia, Savings Bank, Victoria School-House, Grammar School, Trinity Church, St. Andrew's Church, Cemetery Church, Germain Street Methodist Church, City Hall, Water Commissioner's office, the banking houses of Simeon Jones & Co., George Philips and McLellan & Co., the Western Union Telegraph office, Daily Telegraph newspaper, the offices of the Daily News, Globe, Freeman and Watchman, newspapers, the news room, all insurance offices, Ritchie's building and law office. Every wholesale house and nearly all retail houses were destroyed. The only bank saved was the Bank of British North America. The Western Union Telegraph Office only saved their instruments and books. Several schooners and larger vessels were burnt to the water. Rafts laden with goods and household wares readily caught the flames and were consumed. The fierce wind drove the fire to the south and east and destroyed everything it met till it reached the water's edge. Five men and two infants are now known to have lost their lives, and many are missing. The loss is estimated at from $10,000,000 to $15,000,000, and the insurance will not, it is thought, exceed $6,000,000. Thousands of people wander the streets homeless and in despair. The destruction of provisions of all kinds seems to point to famine, and relief must come in speedily or many must perish from want. Few saved even their clothes. The fire is still raging, and no hope is entertained of extinguishing it until it has exhausted itself for want of material to keep it alive. The wind has died down, but the fire still burns fiercely. The gas works are destroyed, and the remainder of the city is in darkness. The area burned is nearly two hundred acres.

A MERCILESS BRUTE.

Elmira, June 19.—An act of almost unparalleled brutality was committed six miles from this city a few days since. A farm hand, named William Clearwater, working on the farm of William Lowman was using one of the farmer's horses in a field. The horse was a very valuable one, but it did not work to suit Clearwater, and he tied a strong twine around its tongue, and pulled and sawed with it until the tongue was actually torn out. The brute threw the bleeding member to one side and forced the mutilated horse to work throughout the day. The diabolical act was not discovered until the next day, when Clearwater was forced to leave to escape the indignation of the farmers in the vicinity. He has not been apprehended as yet.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Judge Van Vorst has just made a decision in the Supreme court of New York, that is after our own heart precisely. We know it is right, we believe it is a good law also, and we trust it will not be overruled. This is the case:

In 1866, Charles F. A. Dambmann, Philip F. Pistor and Herman Schulting were engaged in business in New York under the firm name of C. F. A. Dambmann & Co. Mr. Dambmann loaned to Schulting $10,000, the latter promising to refund the money when he should be able to do so. Some two years after this $5000 of the money thus loaned was repaid, a release of any further claim for payment of the balance being given on such payment. Mr. Dambmann claimed that such release was executed by him under a mistake as to the material facts, Schulting having represented to him that his property was barely sufficient to pay the money he had borrowed, whereas, as alleged, he was worth at that time over $300,000 over and above his debts at that time, his property to this amount having been concealed and put out of his possession so as to give the color of truth to his statements as to what he was worth. The complaint, the substance of which has already been published, recites at length the transfer and sale of the stock of goods belonging to the firm, aggregating $676,981, in which Schulting had one-third interest.

"Under this state of facts suit was brought to recover $5,000, with interest, the balance of the loan. The answer put in by Mr. Schulting is that during the time specified he owed to various parties and firms about $1,000,000, and that his creditors, including C. F. A. Dambmann & Co., accepted a compromise of their claims. The following agreement was made with the latter firm: 'We, the undersigned, agree, in consideration of $1 paid to us, to discharge H. Schulting from the legal payment of the money loaned to him, February, 1866, said Schulting giving his moral obligation to refund the said money, in part or whole, as his means will allow in future.' The legal force of this 'moral obligation' was one of the strongest points raised in the litigation. The case was tried before Judge Van Vorst, holding Supreme Court, Special Term. Judge Van Vorst gave his decision in the case, declaring the release void and ordering judgment for the balance of the loan. After reciting the facts of the case given above, Judge Van Vorst says 'that he does not regard the release as an absolute discharge of the debt in question, as there was substituted a moral duty for payment in the the event that the debtor should afterward acquire means sufficient to enable him to pay the claim in whole or in part.' The agreement to discharge 'from the legal payment he holds to have been in fact conditioned upon the debtor's promise to refund the money loaned should he acquire the means in the future to do so; that if he did not acquire such means then all legal claim was abandoned; but if he did, the legal claim existed, to be enforced by action in the event that the concience of the debtor refused to recognize the obligation to repay the money, and that the paper in truth is to be regarded as an agreement not to enforce the legal liability so long as the debtor was without means to pay. He holds, further, that there was an evident concealment by Schulting of his means, and upon this fact and those already given, he ordered a judgment for the plaintiff as stated."

This dicision is worthy of being written on the door posts of the halls of justice, and of the churches, too? We commend it to Christians and sinners alike. Let them all understand that a moral obligation is a legal one also, and that the law step in to quicken a man's conscience when he shelters himself behind the miserable excuse that he is not legally bound to keep his promise.

Choice Farm FOR SALE!

The undersigned offer the following choice homestead, near Linden Hall, at private sale. Consisting of

10 ACRES OF LAND,

under fences and in a high state of cultivation. Thereon are erected a 2-STORY BRICK HOUSE, Bank Barn, all necessary outbuildings, with choice fruit on the premises, a cistern and a never-failing stream of running water.

This property is desirably located about ¼ mile from L. G. & S. C. R.R., and offers a fine opportunity for any one wishing to retire upon a small farm.

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For sixteen years we have lived at the old corner of SIXTH and MARKET, and the business done there has been so satisfactory to the public and ourselves, that we have decided not to change or move the Clothing business away. The people like the place and we like to please the people, and we believe that we can do it better than ever at the old place.

The sales of the past year far surpassed anything we ever dreamed of, and this puts it in our power to start the Spring of 1877 with a STILL LOWER SCALE OF PRICES, and a class of goods so excellent that we are not afraid to follow each sale with our warrantee, or receive back the goods unworn and hand over to the customer the money paid.

The store has been largely refitted, and there never was such a splendid stock of Men's, Boys' and Children's clothing under the roof, nor were we ever able to sell so cheaply. Our word for it, and we are your friends of sixteen years.

WANAMAKER & BROWN,
OAK HALL,
THE OLD PLACE, 6th & Market. PHILADELPHIA.

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We have opened a new and complete stock bought in New York and Philadelphia, from the manufacturers from first hands at extremely low prices, which we will sell at the lowest bottom prices, which we will give the people the advantage of. We say and will satisfy that we are the Cheapest Hardware Store in the country. We have a complete stock of Ranges, Heaters, Parlor and Cook Stoves. Each Stove guaranteed to give satisfaction in every respect. Bar-iron, Nails, Horse-shoes, Norway Nail Rods, warranted of the best quality, We claim we have the best Pure Lead, Oils, Colors, Varnishes, ever offered and the cheapest. Our Stock of Coach and Wagon Materials are of a very superior quality, and cheap, We will sell Saddlery goods as low as they can buy them in Phila. We will keep all kinds of Farmers Implements, Cultivators, Shovels, Plows, Pumps, Picture Frames, Moulding, Mirrors, Toilet Setts,

Children's buggies, Wagons of all sizes, Oil Cloths, Tubs, Buckets, and Churns,

We have in connection a Tin Shop, Mr. Smith, foreman, in which we manufacture all kinds of Tinware.

Spouting made and put up of the best quality of tin at the lowest prices.

Call and see us and we will substantiate what we advertise, as we shall take pleasure in showing our stock.

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CENTRE HALL LODGE, No. 883, I. O. O. F., meets every Saturday evening in the Odd Fellows Hall.
J. M. GILLILAND, Secr. H. P. SANKEY, N. G.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

——STORE ROOM FOR RENT.—The undersigned offers the store-room, known as Hornacher's old stand, at Centre Hall, for rent. The stand is a desirable one in all respects. Possession can be had any time after April 1st, by applying to J. HENRY KELLER at Centre Hall. tf.

——On hand—haymaking.

——A splashing rain on Thursday, 21.

——Grasshoppers are numerous on some farms.

——The new bank building moves along, the foundation is ready. The institution is to have a fire-proof, or vault, and when not used for safe-keeping of valuables, will be large enough for a lock-up.

——In the trial at Huntingdon the plea of insanity is urged in favor of the alleged murderer of Dr. Shade.

——The best skill and artistic taste is displayed in the work turned out at Heisler's Bellefonte Marble Works.

——Our friend, P. S. Kerlin, of Lena, Ill., writes us, June 16—Everything promises fair for good crops here, but potato bugs are as thick as hair on a dog's back.

——Grasshoppers are numerous on some farms in this valley, having disappeared from lands where they inhabited the past few years, and now show themselves upon places which were free from them heretofore.

——The worst persecuted insect, in these parts are the potato bugs. They seem to have no friends, and every man's, boy's and girl's hand is against them.

——In our report last week, of the election of directors L. C. & S. C. RR., we erroneously printed the name of R. H. Duncan as one of those elected, instead of Jas. P. Coburn. The names of the directors are G. F. Miller, Moses Thompson, Jas. P. Coburn, G. B. Roberts, Wm. J. Howard, Wistar Morris, J. W. Du Barry.

——We print envelopes as low as $1 per thousand. Send us your envelopes. We print letter heads, and statements as low as $1,25 per 1000, when persons find the paper. This is lower than you can get it done for in the city.

——Faultless is the work turned out at Heisler's Bellefonte Marble Works. The finest tombstones and monuments in the cemeteries of this county, come from that establishment.

——Next week, being 4th of July week, there will be no paper issued from this office, as per custom among the publishers of the land.

——There will be a big railroad jubilee, near Spring Mills, on 4th, when the first passenger train to Pennsvalley will arrive from Lewisburg

—— Yony Deininger's new house on Church street is up. Next summer he intends erecting another on same street.

——In Snyder county the fly has almost destroyed the wheat crop.

——Mr. B. F. Dasher, of Edwardsburg, Mich., reports, the wheat crop looks very fine; straw will be short, but is headed out well; hay crop short; corn looks very well, considering the drouth in May. Farmers busy ploughing summer fallow and picking strawberries, which sell at 4, 5, and 6 cents per quart.

——Things are pretty much on the square at Centre Hall. We have 4 sunday schools, 4 churches, 4 places for ice cream, 4 doctors and two undertakers, some 4-fathers, and a couple of 4-ward fellows.

——List of unclaimed letters remaining in Centre Hall post office, June 21:

Daniel A. Gonder, 1; Jonathan Bickell, 1; Lewis Boob, 1.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised.

J. A. REESMAN, P. M.

——Mr. John Rishel, of Potter township, reports that he found a young turkey, dead in its shell, having four legs, and one of its eyes on the top of its head. Might it not be a bad omen for Russia when ye little Turkey plays such freaks?

——If you want a piano, organ, or sewing machine, remember that Messrs. Bunnell & Aiken will shortly open a depot next door to Newman's Clothing store, on Allegheny street, Bellefonte, where you can get the best instruments or sewing machines manufactured.

——And now Pennsvalley has a railroad in fact—the track extends some four miles up the valley and the engine can be seen a short distance below Spring Mills. The day for wagoning our grain across the Seven Mountains to Milroy, across Nittany mountain to Bellefonte, and through the Narrows to Mifflinburg, has gone by, and farmers are relieved of the great expense of getting to market with their grain—time, horses, wear and tear of wagons, and some toll will be saved, on account of the railroad, with better prices for grain in addition.

— Best and cheapest home made furniture—full parlor suits, or single pieces—to be found at the rooms of J. C. Brachbill, jr., Bellefonte.

——FOR SALE.—a new Golden Tongue Organ, warranted. Will be sold very low. Inquire at this office. tf.

——Many of the Pianos and Organs now manufactured will contrast well with some watches we have examined, having a massive, highly embelished case, and when you ask them what time it is, they don't know, something is the matter with the movement. Such is not however the case with the Beatty instruments, manufactured at Washington, N. J., the movement, durability and tone, is the first consideration, and then the case constructed according to price. 1m

——Groceries down to cash prices at Sechler's, where they keep the best.

——At J. O Deininger's you can buy Motto Frames from 30 cts up; Mottoes, 5 cts. 3t.

LOGANSVILLE ITEMS.

Prospects for wheat in the valley are very promising.

And now Logansville can boast of a band as well as Boonesville—although it's no brass band—but renders splendid music: being composed of violins, banjo, jewsharp, cornet and accordion.

The new house on Anthony street, erected by Thomas Delong, makes a fine appearance; also the new brick opposite the Logan House, on Front Street.

Needed—the Murphy Temperance movement. To the Murphyites of Lock Haven, we extend an invitation to come and deliver some of their addresses and lectures. C. O. M.

ENTERTAINMENT.

An entertainment, consisting of select and original performances, will be given by the students of the Penn's Valley Institute, on Tuesday evening, July, the 3rd, in the lecture room of the Lutheran church, of this place. At the same time, a lecture, prepared for the occasion, will be delivered by Rev. W. E. Fischer, A. M. To these exercises the public is cordially invited. Doors open at 7.30: exercises to commence at 8. During Monday and Tuesday, 2nd and 3rd, some examinations will be held in the school room, to these the patrons of the Institute are particularly invited. G. W. FORNEY.

4th JULY—RAILROAD PIC-NIC.

Union county will celebrate its 4th of July in Centre county this year, and hold a grand pic-nic near Spring Mills, in honor of the opening of our railroad to that point. They will come up en masse, according to the papers down there, on the first passenger train, to leave Lewisburg at 7.30 in the morning. Men will bring their wives, children and sweethearts, and shake hands with and congratulate their Centre county friends, who will be on hand to offer them a hearty welcome. We expect to see a big turn out both from Union and our own county. The Union county papers publish the following announcement:

FOURTH OF JULY, 1877!!

GRAND OPENING

Lewisburg, Centre & S. C. Railroad.

EXCURSION TO SPRING MILLS.

A train will leave Lewisburg about 7.30 a. m., July 4, arriving at Spring Mills about 9.30. Returning, leave Spring Mills about 4.30, arriving at Lewisburg about 6.30, p. m.

Everybody is cordially invited to take part in and enjoy a BASKET PIC-NIC and Grand Railroad Excursion.

The Excursion will be accompanied by the LEWISBURG BRASS BAND.

Tickets for Lady and Gentleman, round Trip. $1.0[illegible]
Single Tickets. .65
Children between 5 and 12 years of age, Half Price.

In order to secure accommodations tickets must be purchased by the 25th of June. Seats will be provided for all who have tickets on that date

(Signed) D. B. Miller, E. W. Marsh, S. W. Johnson, Geo. W. Wells, S. D. Bries, H. D. Albright, C. G. Davis, G. W. Schoch, H. D. Cawley. Committee.

——The Penns Valley Institute, under Prof. Fortney will shortly close its successful spring term, with a literary entertainment.

——Spring Mills is making a road to the depot.——Work has commenced for the depot at the Forks.——The engine now runs to within two miles of Spring Mills.——There will be a water-station on the railroad at Stover's stillhouse, in Penn twp.——Spangler's hotel has been repainted out and inside, and looks much improved.——Ira. Cottle has built himself a roomy tailor shop.——Iron picket fences are getting into style here.

——Young, Wilson & Diehl paid pap Evert $400 for half an acre of ground at the Forks, on which they intend erecting a large grain ware house. If daddy Evert art sells all his ground at that rate, he does as well as to strike "ile."

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for July is one of the best numbers of the work ever issued. Its articles, beautifully and liberally illustrated, are timely, highly interesting and instructive, especially "Russia and Turkey, their War Strength, Sovereigns, etc," by Wm. Staughton Chase; "The West End of Paris;" "Malta;" Mrs. General Gaines;" "The Great Grain Movement," etc., etc. In addition it contains innumerable paragraphs on various interesting subjects—something for everybody—besides the usual number of short select stories by popular and gifted authors, and which are really captivating. This number of 128 pages and 100 illustrations must, in view of its actually being the cheapest publication of the kind in existence and at the same time one of the most select and universally welcome, continue to increase in public favor, and rank with the publisher's Sunday Magazine, the highest among all our American monthlies. The Popular Monthly may be obtained for $2.50, and the Sunday Magazine for $3, for one year, postpaid, from Frank Leslie's Publishing House, 537 Pearl Street, New York.

——Sechler & Co. keep the largest stock of groceries of any firm in Centre county. Best assortment, finest goods, lowest prices. The richest cheese ever offered in this market. The best roasted coffee and finest flavor of all. New Orleans molasses, genuine new crop. The finest dollar teas in the state—green, black, and Japan. The best brands of canned fruits in the market. Sugars, coffees, syrups, rice, hominy, dried fruits and foreign fruits at lowest prices. The finest sugar-cured hams, dried beef, and breakfast bacon. Every piece guaranteed. Our motto is Best and Cheapest. Sechler & Co., Grocers, Bush house block, Bellefonte.

——The largest stock of furniture in this county will be found at J. C. Brachbill's room, Bellefonte.

——Godey's Lady's Book for July is finely illustrated and filled with reading matter calculated to please, amuse and instruct.

——A fellow by name of P. Lagiarism, out in Philipsburg, accuses Dan Hastings of stealing Everett's stamps—or notes. Dan can prove an alibi, for Everett is dead long ago and has no notes to steal, and besides Hastings never knew that there was any man named Everett. Dan am innocent.

——THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.—No people in the world suffer as much with dyspepsia as Americans. Although years of experience in medicine had failed to accomplish a certain and sure remedy for this disease and its effects, such as sour stomach, heart-burn, water-brash, sick headache, costiveness, palpitation of the heart, liver complaint, coming up of the food, low spirits, general debility, etc., yet since the introduction of Green's August Flower we believe there is no case of dyspepsia that cannot be immediately relieved. 30,000 dozen sold last year without one case of failure reported. Go to your druggist, F. P. Green, and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it. Two doses will relieve you. Regular size 75 cents.

——Deininger & Musser, of the Millheim Marble Works, are doing a very good business, notwithstanding the hard times, and the secret of their success is that they make good work at very moderate prices. Don't be imposed upon by irresponsible agents and runners who have no knowledge or experience in the business but go to the Millheim Marble Works before you buy elsewhere, where you can get Monuments, Couches or Headstones, of any possible design or price. 3t

——Take notice grangers and all others, J. C. Brachbill will sell you Chamber suits, Parlor suits and all kinds of Household furniture at the lowest cash prices (no humbug.) Call at once and see for yourselves.

BELLEFONTE MARKETS.—June 18 by Shortlidge & Co.

Flour per barrel, wholesale, $ 5 50.
" retail, $10 00.
White wheat, 1 75.
Red " 1 75.
Rye, 60.
Corn, shelled, 50.
Corn, cob, 50.
Oats, 35.
Barley, rye weight, 56.
Clover seed $3 per 64 pounds.
Potatoes retail, 1 25
Nova Scotia plaster, ground, 10 00.
Cayuga " $9 00.
Anthracite coal:
Chestnut per ton at yard, $4 50.
Small stove, " $4 75.
Stove, " $4 75.
Egg, " $4 50.
Broken, " $4 50.

Sinking Creek Mills.

This old, and well-known Grist-mill, in Potter township, is now superintended by Mr. D. M. GOWDER, one of the best experienced millers in Central Penna. who has rendered the utmost satisfaction wherever he has been, and understands the milling business thoroughly. He WARRANTS HIS FLOUR, and all other work, sent out from Sinking Creek Mills, to give satisfaction, as to quantity and quality. If you want good bread let Mr. Cowher furnish your Grist. Grists delivered to Centre Hall twice a week by mill wagon.

Housekeepers, give Mr. Cowher a trial, and satisfy yourselves of the great superiority of the flour manufactured by him. 24may 3m.

TEN MOLLIE MAGUIRES EXPIATE THEIR CRIMES ON THE GALLOWS.

Pottsville, June 21.—In this borough to-day, Hugh M'Genan, James Boyle, James Carroll, James Roarity and Thomas Duffy paid the penalty of death by swinging for the brutal murder of Benjamin F. Yost, at Tamaqua, about sixteen miles from here. The crime was committed at an early hour on the morning of July 6, 1875, in retaliation for an imaginary wrong done Thomas Duffy, a Mollie Maguire, who had frequently disturbed the peace while intoxicated and on one occasion had to be clubbed by Yost, who was a policeman, to bring him into subjection to the law. For doing his duty as an officer Duffy resolved that he should be assassinated. The Mollie Maguire did not possess the requisite courage to commit the crime but he found others willing to carry out his desires.

[Special to the Patriot.]

Scenes and Incidents of the Execution.

Pottsville, June 21.—At 10.50 the Jury formed in front of the scaffold, twelve in all, standing on a plot directly in front and spaced off; the crowd of deputies and journalists standing back of the rope.

At twelve minutes of 11 the iron gate in the bend of the corridor was thrown open, and at ten minutes of eleven the two men, Boyle leading and M'Gehan following, came out.

At 11.09 o'clock the noose was adjusted, and at 11.10½ the trap dropped. Both made brief statements, neither affirming nor denying their guilt.

Boyle who was collarless, was attended by Father Beresford, and M'Gehan, who was well dressed throughout, by father M'Govern. The former carried a large red rose in his hand, while the latter had the flowers in his buttonhole.

The services of the Catholic church were rendered in English, Boyle repeating the prayers, while M'Gehan listened intently, and occasionally moved his lips in prayer.

Father M'Govern exhorted the men to look to the One only who could save. After making this exhortation the prelude to the Catholic service was rendered to those about to die.

When the religious ceremonies were ended M'Geehan spoke, saying: "I have nothing to tell you, gentlemen. I blame no one. I do not say anything, whether I am guilty or innocent. I only ask forgiveness of the whole world, and if I have done anybody wrong, and if they die true Christians, I ask, as I know they will, to forgive me."

Boyle spoke next: "I have nothing to say, but pretty much the same. I say nothing of my guilt or innocence. I forgive those who put me here, and I hope all will forgive me, and I will forgive all those who did me wrong."

After Boyle concluded, M'Gehan again spoke, saying: "I have done all in my power to save my soul, and I trust in God that if there is on my soul now any sin that I have not cleared off, He will make me suffer here, and this is my prayer, that God will forgive my sins."

When this was ended the condemned men kissed the warden and keepers, on the platform and embraced Boyle, saying: "Good by Hugh." "May we meet in a better world," said M'Gehan.

The former threw the red rose he carried on the trap, put his hands back to be manacled and quietly submitted. While the straps were placed around their ankles, knees and arms, the priests exhorted them to pray.

All moved from the trap and the lips of both constantly moved as the nooses were being adjusted. Then in a moment, at 11.10½, without warning, the trap was sprung and both were launched into eternity. Boyle died the easiest, the bodies whirling on the rope, and M'Gehan's was the last to show muscular actoin. When the trap was sprung the priests commenced their final offices. The bodies hung until 11.32 and and were then cut down.

Boyle died from the shock in ten minutes; M'Gehan in fifteen, from strangulation. The latter's body exhibited terrible convulsions. Just after the bodies were cut down, M'Gehan being taken down at 11.37, the Sheriff decided not to hang the others together, but in couples of two.

At 12.05 Roarity, accompanied by Father Galety, and Carroll, by Father Beresford, were brought out and at 12.06 were on the scaffold. The services were as before. When they were finished Roarity said, "Well, gentlemen, I have only a few words to say. I stand here to-day before the public and I must tell the truth. I don't know whether those of whom I speak have gone or come after me." Then he rambled into a statement, saying, "I never saw Thomas Duffy more than three times before I saw him in Pottsville jail. I never heard him talk about Benjamin F. Yost, or about ten dollars to be given for shooting, or anything concerned about it, and another thing I must say for Hugh M'Gehan and James Boyle, that I never asked them to come and shoot Benjamin F. Yost or any other man. I ask forgiveness of everybody, and hope everybody will forgive me. That is all."

Carroll then spoke: "I have nothing to say, gentlemen, only I am innocent of the crime I am charged with."

Roarity broke in: "Yes, that's a word I forgot, that I die an innocent man. I forgive all who put me here that prosecuted me." Carroll added: "And I too."

Roarity singled out Mr. L'Valle, one of his counsel, standing in the yard. His eyes roamed around in search of friends, but he saw none to know save L'Valle to whom he shouted, "God bless you, Mr. L'Valle; God bless you," and the counsel echoed it back.

Roarity and Carroll were hung at 12,21½. Both declared their innocence. At 12.42 the bodies were cut down and removed, and as the two end scaffolds had been used there now remained but the centre one for duty. The sheriff decided upon the three executions in deference not only to the wishes of some of the men, who wanted to go together, but because he thought, while tedious, it was safest. Roarity declared in his statement that he never saw Yost.

At twenty-one minutes past one the last two men, Duffy and Munley, were hung.

Duffy, with Father M'Govern, and Munley, with Father Defman, left the prison corridor at eleven minutes past one, and when Duffy came in sight of the crowd there was no reprieve."

After the ceremonies, and as the leather bands were being placed on their limbs, Father M'Govern told Duffy he had an opportunity to speak if he wished, but he shook his head with a "No, I want to think of something else.

Munley refused also, and they quietly submitted themselves to the sheriff for immediate preparation to their end. At precisely 1:21 the trap was sprung, and in twenty minutes the bodies were cut down, life having been pronounced extinct within twelve minutes after the fall of the trap.

Thus ended the career of the six, and the sheriff's long drawn out and dreadful labors came to an end. M'Gehan and Carroll, from appearances, died the most horrible of all the deaths.

Execution of the Mauch Chunk Mollies.

Mauch Chunk, Pa., June 21.—Michael J. Loyle, Edward Kelley, Alexander Campbell and John Donahue expiated their crimes on the gallows here to-day. Doyle, Kelly and Campbell were executed for the murder of John P. Jones, the successor of Morgan Powell, a mine boss, who was killed in 1875 at Lansford. Aleck Campbell came out first, attended by Father Wynne, and with a firm step walked up the staircase, his hands together before him grasping a crucifix and muttering prayers through his closed lips; he was placed in one of the four corners, and then Doyle was raised from his knees in his cell and brought out. He was in a painful looking condition, with sunken eyes, ghastly countenance, and tottering limbs, and when stepping upon the gallows gave signs of hidden emotion. When Doyle had reached his position the sheriff asked Campbell if he had anything to say.

Campbell answered: "All I have to say is that I forgive every one, I have not an enemy in the world."

The sheriff then turned to Doyle, who was accompanied by Father Bunce, and asked him what he had to say.

Doyle answered: "I forgive every one, as Christ has forgiven me," and muttered several words in an undertone, which, however, could not be heard by a single person beyond the sheriff himself, the cause being that of late Doyle's voice has been growing so faint from his feeble condition until to-day he could hardly talk above a whisper.

Yellow Jack Donahue came out next, supported by Father Heinan, carrying his crucifix between his hands, and with head down praying earnestly. His close approach to death was working its effect on him and he showed distinct signs of nervousness.

Donahue was put at one of the other two corners, and, like the rest, asked if he had anything to say. Donahue simply answered with his head still down, "I have nothing to say," and not again did he open his lips except in prayer.

Doyle, also said, when speaking with the sheriff, that if he had followed the advice of his priest and had left secret organizations alone he would not have been on the scaffold. He hoped God would forgive him and every one in this world who had to go to God for forgiveness.

Kelly then came out accompanied by Father M'Ilhone, and upon ascending the gallows was placed in the remaining vacant corner, opposite Donahue. Sheriff Raudenbach walked across to Kelly and said, "Do you wish to say anything? Kelly answering the sheriff but not raising his eyes from the crucifix, said: "If I had taken the advice of the bishops and priests I would not have been here to-day. I ask the pardon of my God, and of everybody who will all ask the pardon of the Almighty to forgive my transgressions." The prisoners having ceased speaking at half past ten, everybody dropped on their knees, the four doomed men, the four priests, and four coal and iron police and deputies. Another service for the dying was begun. The shackles had been adjusted to the feet, however, and the wrists manacled, and the white caps pulled over their heads. This last office being performed, at 10.45 Sheriff Raudenbach went to the rope adjusted to the lever, and then with a signal from one of the commissioners, the sheriff and a couple of the deputies seized the rope, and pulling it, left the drop down precisely at 10 o'clock 10 minutes and 30 seconds. There the four men hung between heaven and earth, and all who witnessed the sight stood aghast. For a moment the bodies just swung around and no feeling was apparent in either of the men. Campbell was the first to shake, and he did it just perceptibly.

Then Jack Donahue began to kick, draw his limbs into all disproportionate shapes—"He was dying very hard, poor fellow," everybody said—his hands he drew up despite the manacles, and almost brought his fingers in contact with the rope about his neck. The great strain upon his wrists made his hands a lived blue. He kicked very hard for almost a minute's time, and then his legs settled down and he became quiet, while his body resumed its regular swaying. The other two men, Kelly and Doyle, were perfectly easy, there being no motion whatever beyond the swaying, and not even once was there a perceptible tremor.

"Yellow Jack" Donahue, who kicked the hardest, died the quickest and easiest. The longest life and hardest death were those of Campbell. His shaking, while suspended, was slight, but his suffering must have been very great. While Donahue was showing such evidence of pain, as before stated, Father Heinan approached the swinging body and anointed his wrists so as to ease the mental anguish filling his soul, if he were conscious. When the physicians had performed their office, the people who had collected about the gallows drew away, and the bodies in black, with their white caps upon their heads, were left to hang until thirty minutes after the falling of the drop, when they were cut down. The bodies were placed in coffins and delivered over to their friends, who took them to the different places indicated in previous dispatches.

At Wilkesbarre, Lanehan, another Mollie was hung about the same time, making the eleventh for that day.

MORE MOLLIE MAGUIRE MURDERS.

Mauch Chunk, Pa., June 23.—As was feared would be the case, the infuriated Mollie Maguires have not only murdered William O'Conner, whose body has been found near White Haven, just above here, but have brutally assassinated John Grady, a miner employed in one of the Lehigh collieries. While there has been no open disturbance, so far, of any kind, it is not improbable that serious trouble may yet occur. The coal and iron police, and Captain Linden, of the Pinkerton detective agency, are still patrolling the region. There seems to be an unusual commotion among the Mollies infesting the Butler valley. In some districts, where the authorities are almost powerless to cope with the law breakers, the apprehensions of a general uprising have become so great that families are removing to points where there is more protection for life and property. This is the case with those who took part against the Molly Maguires at their trials in Schuylkill, Carbon, Columbia, Northumberland and Luzerne counties.

The Titusville Courier says if the present rate continues 1,400,000 barrels of oil will be shipped from the Pennsylvania regions in June.

Announcement.

We are authorized to announce J. M. Kaleahline, Esq., of Bellefonte, as a candidate for District Attorney. Subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

Again we call the attention of our readers to the advertisements of D. F. Beatty, Esq., Washington, N. J., of his Pianos and Organs. The reputation of Mr. Beatty as a manufacturer of instruments of very substantial, besides great merit, both in construction, selection of material, and efficient and trustworthy employees, their various departments being arranged for service and not for artificial purposes. They contain not the slightest intrigue, but are substantially and perfectly arranged in their various departments, he having for his fundamental aim, durability, and perfect richness of tone. See his advertisement in another column.

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ERIE MAIL leaves Philadelphia		11 55 p m
" " Harrisburg		4 25 a m
" " Montandon		6 57 a m
" " Williamsport		8 50 a m
" " Lock Haven		9 40 a m
" " Renova		10 50 a m
" arr at Erie		7 35 p m
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" " Harrisburg		10 50 a m
" " Montandon		1 03 p m
" arr at Williamsport		2 30 p m
" " Lock Haven		3 25 p m
" " Renova		4 40 p m
FAST LINE leaves Philadelphia		11 30 p m
" " Harrisburg		2 20 p m
" " Montandon		6 15 p m
" arr at Williamsport		7 30 p m
" " Lock Haven		8 20 p m

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PACIFIC EX. leaves Lock Haven		6 30 a m
" " Williamsport		7 35 a m
" " Montandon		9 30 a m
" arr at Harrisburg		11 55 a m
" " Philadelphia		2 45 p m
DAY EX. leaves Renova		10 10 a m
" " Lock Haven		11 20 a m
" " Williamsport		12 20 p m
" " Montandon		1 47 p m
" arr at Harrisburg		4 10 p m
" " Philadelphia		7 20 p m
ERIE MAIL leaves Renova		8 55 p m
" " Lock Haven		9 45 p m
" " Williamsport		11 05 p m
" " Montandon		12 15 a m
" arr at Harrisburg		3 45 a m
" " Philadelphia		7 00 a m
FAST LINE leaves Williamsport		12 35 a m
" arr at Harrisburg		4 05

JOURNALISM.

How They Used to Run the Business Twenty Centuries Ago.

The first Roman journal, published over 2,000 years ago, appeared only once a year. This paper, intended to be read by the public, was known by the title *Annales Maximi*. The editor of this paper was the "Pontifex Maximus," whose duty it was to chronicle all the important events of the year. The news was written on white wooden tablets and attached to the residence of citizens. It must have been a curious sight to see the old Romans crowding around these tablets to get a glance at the latest news. But the thirst after knowledge and the curiosity of the people grew rapidly and in such a measure that the government, the only issuer of a journal, found itself obliged to issue a daily. It is interesting to know that some of these journals, having reached the age of 2,044 years, are still in existence. The name of the first daily journal was *Acta Populi Romani Diurni*. It appeared daily, either as "Album," *i. e.*, the tablet hung out in public, or the contents were written with red chalk on the walls of the houses. The contents of the journal comprised what would be classed as daily news in our modern papers. Doubtless it would interest some of our readers to peruse a verbal translation from the oldest journal extant, issued 168 years before the birth of Christ: "Consul Sicinius was the acting judge to-day. There was a heavy thunder storm, and the lightning split an oak at the foot of the hills of Veli. In a hostelry at the foot of the Hill of Janus there was a fight in which the landlord was badly wounded. Sicinius punished some butchers on account of their selling meat which had not been inspected. The money thus paid was used to erect a chapel to the Goddess Leveraa. The broker Ausidius fled from town to-day, taking money with him belonging to other people. He was caught and had to refund the money. The brig and Domiphon, who was captured by Officer Nerva, has been crucified to-day." It must be of interest to journalists to know that Julius Cæsar, the greatest of all Romans, paid special attention to journalism. He saw the necessity of instructing the people in everything occurring in the State, and we find this quotation in Snetonius: "Julius Cæsar, as soon as he had entered his public office, caused not only to be written but also spread among the people, proceedings of the Senate." This was the first political paper, and, as it contained news about buildings, births, deaths, executions and anecdotes, it can be likened very much to our modern papers. It seems incredible, but it can be proved, already in the olden times there were stenographers who took down the speeches made in the Senate or in public. They were called "notarii," and we find a place in Suetonius where Augustus is angry because the stenographers reported the speech of Cæsar for Mettullus in a very imperfect manner.

Dead Far From His Home.

A Washington paper of a late issue says: "A young Japanese student named Ichiku Kanroku died in Georgetown yesterday morning. He came to this country in March, 1876, with his uncle, General Saigo, the chief commissioner from Japan to the Centennial Exhibition. Intending to enter the Naval Academy at Annapolis, he was placed in a preparatory school at East Hampton, Mass., where he remained until November last, when, on account of impaired health, he came to Washington to recruit his strength. He resided with the Japanese minister, Mr. Yoshida, who took the most tender care of him, and had some difficulty in preventing the ambitious youth from overtaxing his physical energies by study. About two months ago it was thought that his removal to Georgetown would be beneficial, and the Rev. Dr. F. H. Sweet and wife were induced to take him in their quiet family. Shortly afterward his condition became alarming, and the best physicians were called in, when it was found that he had the consumption, and at the age of twenty-one years he died, as above stated. Mr. Yoshida and several Japanese friends having been present at the closing scene. He was a young man of the purest and most refined character, and as a student of mathematics he stood in the front rank. Dr. Sweet says that he had never known his equal in that particular. He died without any suffering and in perfect peace, retaining his reason to the last moment, and his last words were: "Beautiful tree—my mother!" Not even in death could he forget his filial piety. That mother, when she hears the sad news in her far-off home will find consolation in the thought that her boy was happy in his death, and that the attentions he received from Mrs. Sweet during his protracted illness were all that a mother could desire. His remains will be buried in Oak Hill cemetery."

The Opening Scene of the War.

The review of the Russian troops at Kischeneff on April 24 lasted nearly an hour and was over at half-past eleven. When the music ceased the soldiers took off their caps and the great throng of spectators on the hillside stood with heads uncovered while the bishop of Kischeneff recited a grand military mass. A murmur ran throughout the crowd; there was a dead silence for an instant; then a clear, strong voice broke the stillness; the bishop was reading the imperial manifesto; war with the Turk was being declared. Before the bishop had finished reading the manifesto sobs were heard, and people who were looking about saw that the czar was weeping like a child; and when they perceived how much he was affected by it, there was not a dry eye within the range of the reader's voice. Then there went up a wild and universal shout—a shout of exultation, of triumph and of relief as though a great weight of suspense were lifted from the heart of the multitude. It spread through the army, and was taken up by the crowd outside and repeated over and over again until the very sky was full of it. The soldiers tossed their caps high in the air and caught them on their bayonets and twirled them round and round shouting and yelling as though they would burst their throats. When silence was restored the bishop addressed the army, the order of the Grand Duke Nicholas was read to every battalion, squadron and battery, and without a moment's pause a portion of the army set out for the frontier, while the rest made rapid preparations for the march. Thus was the opening scene of the war, as described by a correspondent of the London *News*.

Flitting Shadows.

While half a dozen persons were rolling along in a Michigan avenue car yesterday a man leaned across the aisle and said to another:

"Excuse me, but didn't a big bug crawl down behind your collar?"

Ooh! Ouch!" exclaimed the other, as he leaped up and hauled off his coat. He looked the garment all over, but there was no bug to be seen.

"Perhaps it crawled down under your vest," suggested the man.

Off came the vest, and it was closely inspected without making any discoveries. The attentive stranger then made the victim turn around two or three times to see if the bug was not hidden under his suspenders, and when a thorough search had been made the stranger sat down and said:

"It was probably a shadow flitting across your collar, but I felt sure it was a bug. You can put on your coat and vest again."

The more the victim thought about it the madder he got, but before he put on his coat the other man left the car and slid down Twelfth street as if he had grease on his heels.—*Detroit Free Press.*

THREE DRUNKEN BURGLARS CAPTURED.—Three burglars got drunk in Utica, N. Y., before starting out to break into a house, and in consequence their entrance was made in a noisy and bungling manner. A brave woman captured the drunkest of them, and held him on a sofa in spite of his struggles. A man had a desperate fight with another, and finally secured him. The third went into the street, armed himself with paving stones, returned to fight for the release of his comrades, and stood firmly under fire from a revolver. He, too, was made a prisoner.

AN ILLINOIS TOWN DESTROYED.

A Tornado Crushing Houses Like Nut Shells — Terrible Loss of Life and Destruction of Property.

The following description is given of the storm of wind and rain which passed over Mount Carmel, Ill., leaving a track of devastation and death. Over twenty persons lost their lives, and the destruction of property was immense. It was a rainy day; farmers could not work in the fields, and consequently the town was full of country people. The session of the county commissioners court also brought many to town.

Men, women and children were blown to a distance of 400 feet, as if they were feathers. The best part of the town is destroyed. Not less than seventy families are houseless and homeless, and much distress is anticipated. The appearance of the town cannot be described.

Two converging lines of devastation prove that the tornado partook largely of the character of a cyclone. The first wreck was a frame farm-house, which was blown out at the sides, letting the roof down upon the foundation. Thence the wind swept over a small strip of timber, and was met by a counter-current of wind from the west which did no serious damage, except to fences, in its course. These currents met on Fourth street, below Main street, in Mount Carmel, with a force which is described to have resembled the crash of timber or the flapping of sails, and in the space of a few seconds the air was filled with the *debris* of a hundred dwellings, public buildings and business houses. Some of the wreck was carried a distance of a mile.

The principal force of the storm was spent on the line of Fourth street, running southeast to the woods west of the river, where the wind was again raised from the earth. Half a square above Main street, on Fourth street, the furious eddying of the storm carried the Methodist church steeple in the opposite direction, landing it 300 feet away in front of a saloon. The bell was dropped in the middle of a street near by.

A little boy who was coming from school below Main street was lifted above the houses and landed unhurt at his house, half a mile south. He said he passed over the church steeple as it went the other way.

The fury of the storm was spent in the business portion of the town. In some cases buildings were only unroofed, but the demolition of other houses was complete. The Presbyterian church is razed to the ground. The loss on property by storm and fire is estimated at $500,000.

A Correspondent Attacked.

Jerome B. Stillson, special correspondent of the New York *Herald*, telegraphed the following to that paper from Salt Lake City, Utah, under date of May 31:

Last Saturday evening, between ten and eleven o'clock, I, who am acting here as your correspondent, was returning to my hotel alone in a buggy from a drive. When four rods east from the Lion House I was fired upon from a miscreant who had posted himself behind a tree about fifty feet away on a cross street. The speed of my horses doubtless saved my life. The session of the county commissioners court also brought many to town.

My assailant fled.

This attempt at assassination was supplemented by another bolder one to-day. While sitting alone in my room writing a knock came at the door. It was opened by a man strongly resembling the one who had fired the pistol on the previous night. He held his hat and a paper in his left hand, and while bowing rested his right hand on the bosom of his coat, which was closely buttoned. He asked my name. Being answered, he then extended the paper, saying: "Here is an affidavit which interests you."

He stood at a distance of some four feet. Reaching out with my right hand to receive the paper which he offered with his left, he suddenly withdrew it; at the same time he advanced, and pulling a short knife from his bosom struck me a heavy blow on the left breast, saying: "Take that, you ——."

Unprepared for such an assault, I was knocked behind a table. The man instantly made his exit, supposing, no doubt, that he had blood-atoned his victim.

The point of the knife passed through a portemonnaie and two photographs of pasteboard and glanced off from a suspender buckle against which it struck and which is badly bent by the blow. Happily the only injury is a sore rib.

The man guilty of these two assaults has not been identified or apprehended. The cause of them can only be conjectured. It will certainly not be ascribed by Mormon journals here to a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

An Audience of One.

Quite a number of singular things have occurred in Bucyrus, O., and we have the following to offer as one of them: Several years ago the Fosters of Pittsburgh were holding theatrical entertainments there, and during their stay a novel incident occurred. Mr. Foster was sitting in the hotel ruminating in all probability upon the full house he was to have that night, when W. S—— entered the room with a bill for the evening performance in his hand. "Are you the manager of the theater," asked W. S——. "I am, sir," replied Foster. "You are to play 'Richard III.' to-night?" "Yes, sir." "Well, I am and always have been fond of theatricals, but never had an opportunity of seeing 'Richard III.'" "Very well, sir, come to-night." "Unfortunately, I must go to Columbus to-night on the 6.45 train. Now, how much money would induce your company to play 'Richard III.' for me this afternoon?" Foster, thinking for a moment, replied that he would do it for $25. "And what would you charge extra for the 'Rough Diamond?' Foster replied $10. To his surprise W. S—— counted out $35, and passed it over with the remark that he wanted the performance to commence at two o'clock sharp. Foster got the company together and related the circumstance. The idea of playing "Richard" to an audience of one was excessively ridiculous, and so new in their experience that they all consented. Two o'clock came and W. S—— was on hand. Choosing an eligible position and cocking his feet upon the back of the seat in front of him he waited for the performance to begin. The bell rang, up went the curtain and the play commenced. Never did the actors do better. They all exerted themselves to give their patron an entertainment fully worth the price paid for it, and they succeeded. W. S—— applauded vigorously at different points, and at times demanding a repetition. At the close of the play, "Richard III.," Mr. Joseph T. Fannin came before the curtain and responded in a neat little speech. A dance and a song followed, after which the farce of the "Rough Diamond" was played. W. S——laughed, roared and applauded, and left in time to take the 6.45 train.

A Joke on Barnum.

An elderly gentleman and a friend arrived late at night at a hotel in a town not a hundred miles from Oswego, N. Y. In the morning they got up (as is usual with travelers) and went down to breakfast, leaving their doors open and things lying about the room. The chambermaid saw the doors open and immediately locked them up. In half an hour up comes our elderly friend inquiring for the key of his room. After a while the chambermaid is found, who opens the door with profuse apologies, somewhat after this fashion: "You know them show folks came last night, and, as they're a pretty rough lot, I thought I'd better shut your door." "Ah," says our elderly friend, "them show folks are a pretty rough lot, eh? Well, that's true! My name's P. T. Barnum, and I'm the boss of the show, but we're a pretty rough lot, 'tis true!"

IT TOOK HER FANCY.—We stepped into a milliner shop the other day on business, says a Western joker, and accidentally sat down on a bonnet that some one had laid on the chair. We remained there until no one was looking in our direction and then quietly got up and stepped to one side. There was a lady in at the time looking for a bonnet shaped to suit her. She finally found the one we had put in shape and it just took her fancy; it was just what she wanted, so she said.

HUMAN BATTERIES.

Experiments That Gave Remarkable Results.

It has been known for some time that the human body becomes much charged with electricity in the altitudes and exceedingly dry atmosphere of the high plateau between the Sierra Nevada and Rocky mountains, but it has heretofore been unknown that such accumulated electricity is a cause of great danger to persons handling exploders. Two very serious and sad accidents have happened within a few months at the mouth of Sutro tunnel, both through the sudden and apparently unaccountable discharge of a number of exploders in the exploder house. In the first case Henry L. Foreman, formerly connected with the signal service bureau at Washington, a gentleman of scholarly attainments, a good mathematician and astronomer, was engaged in examining some of these exploders when 200 went off, completely destroying the eyesight and otherwise seriously injuring him. The exploders are large copper gun-caps, an inch and a sixteenth in length and three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, and most kinds are charged with fulminate of mercury.

Two insulated gutta percha wires connect with each cap, through which the electric spark is sent (after they are placed in cartridges of the different combinations of nitro-glycerine) which sets on the cap, and the concussion caused thereby explodes the powder. The second accident referred to happened but a few weeks ago in the same place, and probably in the same manner, by which Thomas Coombs lost his left hand and part of his arm. He was engaged in forming ten exploders into a coil around his hand, when suddenly they went off, shattering that member in so fearful a manner that it had to be amputated. These sad occurrences led Mr. Sutro to at once institute some careful experiments, for he was strongly impressed with the belief that it was body electricity and not concussion which had caused these explosions. Electric exploders made by different parties were taken one after the other and placed in a strong wooden box, which was placed in another box in Mr. Sutro's parlor. This room is covered with a heavy Brussels carpet, walking over which causes the human body to be speedily charged with electricity. Mr. Hancock, the chief blaster, assisted in the experiments, and held the wires while Mr. Sutro walked round the room two or three times, with slippers, sliding his feet gently over the carpet. After doing this he approached the end of one of the wires with his forefinger and instantaneously a loud report was heard, the exploder having been discharged. The first experiment was with one of the San Francisco Giant Powder Company's exploders. Now one of the Electrical Construction Company's was tried without effecting its discharge. Next, one of George Mowbray's, of North Adams, Mass., which did not go off on the first trial, but it did on the second with a very loud report. After this another of the giant exploders was tried, which went off by the time Mr. Sutro's forefinger had reached within two or three inches from the end of the wire.

These experiments have clearly established the fact that exploders may be set off by electricity accumulated in the human body, and the men about the tunnel were at once informed of the fact. Instructions were also issued for handling them hereafter, and a sheet iron plate was placed in the floor of the exploder house, to which is connected a wire reaching into the water flowing from the tunnel. The men in handling exploders now stand on this iron plate, and have instructions to wet their boots before entering and to put on India rubber gloves before touching the exploders. If these precautions are properly carried out there will be no danger of explosions hereafter. Any electricity accumulated in the human body will at once be carried off through the iron plate, while the rubber gloves, being non-conductors, form an additional protection. No accidents from these explosions have ever occurred inside the tunnel, for since the place is very wet, no electricity can be retained in the body. But little doubt exists that both Mr. Foreman and Mr. Coombs have met with their misfortunes in the manner indicated.—*Sutro (Nev.) Independent.*

Variety of Life in New York.

Howe, the great Tombs lawyer, was supposed to be doing one of the most profitable law businesses in New York, says a correspondent. He defended nearly all the rogues in New York, and his fees were supposed to be large; yet he has been adjudged a bankrupt. All the men of this class go under. The divorce lawyers, who are reported to have immense fees, seldom last long. Nine out of ten of the liquor men fail, though the common idea is that the profits are simply immense. I was in a leading restaurant recently, and was told that the checks showed that four hundred and fifty dollars were taken at the bar the day before. Yet every man who has kept that hotel has failed except the present proprietor, who has not been there long enough to give the thing a fair trial. It is the same thing with the politicians who hang around the city hall. It is feast or famine with those fellows. One of them was distinguished for his heavy drinks of brandy and for buying two dollars' worth of cigars daily to give to his followers. He could not buy an oyster stew to-day. A city official told me that his office cost him $50,000 in clear cash, and he holds it only for two years. I met a man the other day whom I have known as a buyer for a leading stock house on the street. He was dressed in rough clothing and looked like a builder who goes out to days' work. "How is this?" I said. "I am in another business," was the reply. "I get $700 a year. I have a quiet home. I sleep well nights, and have enough to eat day by day. On the street I made money one day and lost it the next. I had to watch my customers nights at the hotels. I had to eat as others ate, and drank as they drank, or I could not get any business. It cost me all I could make to keep my place. I'd rather be a scullion to scour the pantry than to do the drudgery of the street."

Osman Pasha's Headquarters.

Osman Pasha, the commander of the Turkish camp at Widdin, is a genial gentleman, short and stout, about fifty years of age. A correspondent of the London *Telegraph*, who called upon him on May 8, found him sitting cross-legged on a long sofa and clad in a drab suit of European clothes. The room was whitewashed, no pretense of any ornament in it, no table but one little one for his ink and tobacco. The windows looked upon the Danube and Kalafat, and one could see the Roumanians making batteries and earthworks opposite without the aid of glasses. Two or three officers were sitting on the opposite side of the room on chairs put in a line against the wall. Whenever a servant brought the general any paper to sign, he did so by inking a little seal or stamp which he kept in his pocket. When the correspondent hinted that it seemed strange that the Turks did not cross the river and occupy Kalafat, the general replied that they were acting in self-defense and were not inclined to invade Roumanian territory. The number of troops in and around Widdin at that time was 46,000, and an additional force of 30,000 men was expected from Sofia.

Brutal Revenge.

A young lady school teacher in Allamakee county, Ill., had a lover whose affections turned to rage in a singular manner. Declining to receive his attention any more, she gave him the mitten. This sorely perplexed the young man. He packed up his duds for leaving the country, but before going called at the school to say farewell. After a few minutes conversation he requested the favor of a parting kiss, and reached out to embrace her, when she struggled, under bashful modesty. Seizing the opportunity, he drew her face to his and bit her nose nearly off. The end part, a good mouthful, hung by the gristle, and was sewed in place by a neighboring surgeon. With the best possible care she will be disfigured for life.

Why cannot two slender persons ever become great friends? Because they will always be slight acquaintances.

BURIED BY A FALLING WALL.

Eleven Men Killed at a Fire in Bridgeport, Conn.

A terrible midnight tragedy occurred at a fire in Bridgeport, Conn. A hat factory was discovered in flames at eleven o'clock, and soon after occurred the disaster which is thus described:

While the firemen were working a host of volunteers were in the burning building striving to remove goods. They had succeeded in carrying out a large quantity of hats and other property from the lower floor of the main building, when the flames suddenly descended and drove them out. The fire had traversed the third floor to its east end, and, descending by way of the elevator at the rear, had also completely gutted the second floor. Shortly after twelve o'clock the top of the front wall, near where the flames were first seen, fell to the ground, and, at short intervals, other parts of the same wall also tumbled. The east wall of the main building was thus left almost unsupported, while the volume of the flames beat against it. Beyond this wall was the office of the firm, a building one story and a half in height.

Despite the fact that the insecure wall hung over this little edifice, a host of volunteers were gathered within it, throwing out hats, furniture, etc., for other persons to carry out of the way of the flames. One of the persons in the office was Mr. E. G. Sanford, the junior member of the firm. He had been trying to open the safe in order to save the books, but had been forced to give up the attempt, as, in his excitement, he could not remember the combination with which it was locked. Oscar J. Acker, the teamster for the firm, then proposed to haul the safe into the avenue. The men started to do this, and succeeded in moving the ponderous receptacle from the corner in which it had stood to the center of the floor, a distance of about ten feet. While they were working a fireman entered the office and told Mr. Sanford that the east wall of the building was swaying and would soon topple over. That gentleman called out to his companions to follow him out of the office as quickly as possible. Several ran out with him, but about twelve lingered at their work. Just as Mr. Sanford reached Prescott avenue, in front of the office, the roar of the office floor which was at the door of the office jumped into the avenue just as the wall snapped, and thus narrowly escaped death. The eleven sturdy fellows whom he left behind were borne by the weight of the ruins into the cellar of the office. For a long time after the crash it was not known that anybody had been killed. Even the police officer who was the last to leave the apartment was not certain that other persons had remained behind him. He believed, and so did the other spectators, that the workmen had escaped by the side windows, and only after a long series of inquiries was it learned that eleven persons were missing and were probably buried in the ruins. The firemen then threw water upon the *debris* to cool it. The flames now rolled back, and meeting with no opposition, attacked, and in a few hours utterly destroyed, a large building to the west of the one in which the fire began. They were then checked, and some smaller edifices of brick and wood, used as dye houses, etc., were saved.

At four o'clock in the morning the search for the bodies was begun. A host of men worked rapidly, and within an hour discovered the spot where the victims were grouped together. It was about the center of the office cellar. All the dead lay in distorted shapes near the safe, the endeavor to save which had caused the loss of life. Five bodies were found in a space of about six feet. They were horribly bruised and burned and could not be immediately recognized. Two hours more of hard work resulted in the discovery of four more bodies, but it was nine o'clock before all the bodies were found. The corpses, as they were dug out, were taken to the undertaker's shop on State street, where their friends and relatives identified them.

The Horrors of Chinese Warfare.

A correspondent of the London *Times*, writing from Shanghae of the Chinese rebellion, gives a thrilling account of the capture of Manas by the government troops and of the terrible scenes of bloodshed which ensued. The Mohammedan commander of the insurgents sought and obtained permission to surrender, and marched into the government camp with 3,000 fighting men armed to the teeth. The government general ordered them to throw down their arms, when they suddenly made a rush upon the besiegers, who had, however, been suspecting this movement and soon repulsed them. The insurgent leader was captured and beheaded before his line of battle, and his troops were all finally captured and killed to a man. Another body of the government troops had, meanwhile, captured the city and put to death every one of its inhabitants, sparing only the old men, women and children. Hsi-gen and other insurgent leaders were captured alive and put to death with extreme torture. The corpses of various other leaders, together with the remains of the "Prince of Pure Religion," so-called, who had died or been slain during the siege, were sought out and exhumed and cut to pieces before the troops and the survivors of the rebels as a public example. In short, all the able-bodied males in the city were massacred, to the number of several thousand. The account of this affair is not taken from rumor, but from the official reports of the imperial viceroy and of the commander of the government forces, General Kin Shun.

Destruction of Young Locusts.

Among other recommendations of the commissioners selected by Congress to investigate and report on the best means of destroying and preventing the ravages of the locusts, is the following:

"One of the most effectual means of destroying the young locusts, and one which is too often overlooked because its effects are not so directly apparent, is the preservation and multiplication of the native birds. Without undertaking at this time to specify the species which should be especially protected, and about which there is yet some difference of opinion, we feel warranted in stating that until the useless species in this respect are distinguished from those that are beneficial, it is best to protect all insect-eating birds; and if the laws of the State are insufficient for this purpose, let communities, townships and counties use all their lawful powers therefor. Chickens, turkeys and hogs devour locusts in immense quantities, and thrive during years of locust invasion or whenever these insects abound. Prairie chickens and quails devour them with avidity, and even hunt for their eggs; swallows and blackbirds pursue them unrelentingly; the little snow birds devour great quantities of eggs when these are brought to the surface by the freezing and thawing of the ground, and the same may be said of almost all birds inhabiting the Western country in winter. The good offices of birds were everywhere noticed in 1875."

A Lesson for the Times.

Few persons properly estimate the difference between a high and low rate of interest, and therefore often borrow money at ruinous rates that no legitimate business can stand. But few have figured on the difference between six and eight per cent. One dollar loaned for 100 years at six per cent., with the interest collected annually and added to the principal, will amount to $340. At eight per cent. it amounts to $2,203, or nearly seven times as much. At three per cent., the usual rate of interest in England, it amounts to $19.25, whereas at ten per cent., the usual rate in the United States, it is $13,809, or nearly one thousand times as much. At twelve per cent. it amounts to $84,075, or more than four thousand times as much. At eighteen per cent. it amounts to $15,145,007, and at twenty-four per cent. (which we sometimes hear talked of) it reaches the enormous sum of $2,551,739,404, or more than the State of Ohio is worth.

A potato bug crawled out of his hole on a recent fine morning and mounted a fence post to sun himself. Piously and pensively he sat there, and as he complacently watched the farmer at his potato planting, he ever and anon caroled thus, as if in mockery: "What shall the harvest be?"

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Items of Interest from Home and Abroad.

Nine clerks who were implicated in the charge of having aided in passing fraudulent claims through the second comptroller's office at Washington were removed by the secretary of the treasury.....There was desperate fighting in Montenegro between the Turks and the Montenegrins, both sides claiming a victory. The Berlin correspondent of the London *Times* telegraphs that it is said on good authority that Count Von Moltke regards Russia's chances as steadily improving in consequence of the extraordinary negligence and lack of foresight of the Turks.....Twenty-two lives were lost and over a hundred houses were destroyed by the tornado which swept over Mount Carmel, Ill.

.....Mary Masterson, a little girl who was stolen from her grandmother in Philadelphia last April, was discovered in the hands of a woman named Fannie Brown, who was arrested in St. Louis for vagrancy.....A reception to Gen. Grant was given by Minister Pierrepont in London. All the members of the English cabinet except one were present, as well as nearly the entire diplomatic corps and a large number of members of Parliament.....The first court and grand jury in the Black Hills met at Deadwood on June 5. Forty-two attorneys were admitted to practice.....The Freedman's Savings bank of Bath, Va., has suspended, the stockholders claiming they would be able, if given time, to pay the depositors dollar for dollar.....A coalition ministry has been formed in Greece.....Stephen F. Olney, Jr., of Providence, R. I., was found dead in a berth on the Sound steamer Massachusetts. He had shot himself.....Lydia Sherman, the poisoner, who escaped from the Connecticut State prison a short time ago, was captured in Providence, R. I., by George W. Usher, a wealthy merchant of Brooklyn, committed suicide while laboring under depression of spirits.....A large meeting in favor of rapid transit was held in New York.

.....A suspension bridge at Bath, England, broke while crossing a crowd with people, who were precipitated into the river Avon, thirty feet below. About twelve persons were killed, and over fifty were injured.....At North Hadley, Mass., Horatio C. Hurd was instantly killed by lightning, and two of his workmen were prostrated by the same agency.....The International Typographical Union, in convention at Louisville, Ky., determined upon sending a delegate to the Exposition at Paris next year, to represent the compositors of America.....Four train wreckers, who recently attempted to throw a train down an embankment for the purpose of plunder, were captured near Richland, Mo.....Mrs. Eliza Carr and Mrs. Dunlap jumped from a burning building in Boston, and both were fatally hurt.....The suit of the people of New York against Peter B. Sweeny, prominently connected with the Tweed ring, was brought to an abrupt conclusion by a compromise by which the plaintiffs will receive a portion of the money claimed from the defendant.....There was an epidemic of unknown character among the fish of the Passaic river, in New Jersey, and thousands died daily.

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.....Three squares of buildings in Galveston, Tex., were destroyed by fire, causing a loss of over $3,000,000. Twenty-six buildings were burned.....A fire broke out about eleven o'clock at night in a large hat factory in East Bridgeport, Conn. About an hour after its commencement, as a force of men were at work in the office, removing the contents, the walls of the burning building crashed in, carrying with them a portion of the roof, and in a moment fell in, burying the men under a mass of brick and burning timbers. As soon as the fire was subdued and the ruins had cooled off, men went to work searching for the dead, and the bodies were taken out in a scarcely recognizable condition. It is believed that no other persons lost their lives except those engaged in removing the furniture of the office. Several of the dead bodies were identified.....Four train wreckers, who recently attempted to throw a train down an embankment for the purpose of plunder, were captured near Richland, Mo.....Mrs. Eliza Carr and Mrs. Dunlap jumped from a burning building in Boston, and both were fatally hurt.....The suit of the people of New York against Peter B. Sweeny, prominently connected with the Tweed ring, was brought to an abrupt conclusion by a compromise by which the plaintiffs will receive a portion of the money claimed from the defendant.....There was an epidemic of unknown character among the fish of the Passaic river, in New Jersey, and thousands died daily.

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